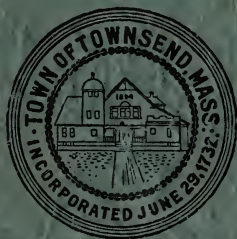


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Report of the Town Clerk

TOWN OFFICERS ELECTED

Moderator

A. Dudley Bagley

Selectmen

Earle S. Bagley

Willard A. Greer

Hollis Hathaway

Town Clerk

Robert A. Copeland

Town Treasurer

William H. Millington

Board of Public Welfare

Lilla A. Seaver

Francis N. Boutelle

Clare F. Creighton

Assessors

Benjamin P. Poor

Term Expires 1939

Joseph R. Arlin

Term Expires 1940

Walter D. Farrar

Term Expires 1941

Committee for the Suppression of the Sale of Intoxicating Liquor

Earle S. Bagley

Willard A. Greer

Hollis Hathaway

Board of Water Commissioners

Roswell A. Lancey	Term Expires 1939
Hollis Hathaway	Term Expires 1940
Hamilton R. Bailey	Term Expires 1941

School Committee

Roswell A. Lancey	Term Expires 1939
Myron Adams	Term Expires 1939
Hattie M. Davis	Term Expires 1940
Ellen M. Whitcomb	Term Expires 1940
Cornelius P. Keefe	Term Expires 1941
Harry A. Morrison	Term Expires 1941

Constables

Howard B. Morse	Richard A. Keefe
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Library Trustees

Carl B. Willard	Term Expires 1939
Evelyn L. Warren	Term Expires 1940
Robert G. Fessenden	Term Expires 1941

Board of Health

Richard S. Ely	Melora E. Proctor	Lester R. Spofford
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Cemetery Commissioners

Eneas C. Morgan	Term Expires 1939
Abbott C. Hodgman	Term Expires 1940
John W. Livingston	Term Expires 1941

Trustees of the James H. Tucker Fund

Richard S. Ely	Eva M. Ely	Clarence W. Sherwin
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Tree Warden

William W. Copeland

Park Commissioners

Robert G. Fessenden	Term Expires 1939
John J. Piper	Term Expires 1940
Albert J. Atwood	Term Expires 1941

TOWN OFFICERS APPOINTED

Accounting Officer

Gertrude S. Copeland

Town Counsel

Earle S. Bagley

Police

Howard B. Morse, Chief
Arthur Koykka

Richard A. Keefe
Ira D. Carleton

Howard L. Doran

Registrars of Voters

John E. O'Brien
Julia H. Altmiller
Stephen W. Keefe

Term Expires 1938
Term Expires 1939
Term Expires 1940

Board of Old Age Assistance

Lilla A. Seaver Clare F. Creighton Hugh R. Thatcher

Forest Warden

Harry C. Felch

Board of Engineers

Harry C. Felch
Robert G. Fessenden
Edward F. Hale

Anthony Perina
Benjamin P. Poor
Louis A. Welch

Leon C. Marshall

Inspector of Animals and Slaughtering

Lyman A. Cook

Soldiers' Burial Agent

Ralph T. Kilbourn

Field Drivers

Richard Rusk

Beniah H. Savage

Public Weighers

Roy A. Elliott

T. J. Harvey

F. N. Davis

G. B. Richardson

A. J. O'Brien

Elwin C. Shepherd

Cullers of Hoops and Staves

N. J. McGuire

Fred Rockwood

Surveyors of Wood, Bark and Lumber

L. Z. Watkins

G. B. Richardson

Howard Doran

W. J. Stewart

B. H. Savage

Clarence Wyman

E. B. Morse

A. B. Wyman

Harold Amadon

Fence Viewers

Waldo Newell

Beniah H. Savage

School Inspector

Dr. Henry B. Boynton

Moth Superintendent

William W. Copeland

Superintendent of Streets

Benjamin P. Poor

Sealer of Weights and Measures

Daniel B. Ormsby

Town Forest Committee

Galen A. Proctor

Term Expires 1939

Irving A. Seaver

Term Expires 1940

Francis N. Boutelle

Term Expires 1941

Finance Committee

Robert E. Smith	Term Expires 1939
Mervin W. Wares	Term Expires 1939
Anthony Perina	Term Expires 1940
Vincent J. Vallette	Term Expires 1940
Harold P. Wiswall	Term Expires 1941

*Committee in Charge of the Amanda E.
Dwight Amusement Fund*

Robert A. Copeland	Term Expires 1939
John J. Piper	Term Expires 1939
Timothy E. Flarity	Term Expires 1940
Mrs. Agnes Sherwin	Term Expires 1940
Carl B. Willard	Term Expires 1941
Mrs. Carl B. Willard	Term Expires 1941

Licensed Undertaker

Ernest G. Wilson

Junk Dealers

Philip Winthrop

Thomas Legasse

Isaac Flaum

Hackney License

S. H. Bohanon

Annual Town Meeting

March 7, 1938.

Pursuant to the warrant the annual town meeting was held on the above date. The meeting was called to order by the Moderator, A. Dudley Bagley, Jr., at 8 o'clock, A. M. The Town Clerk read the warrant to Article 1. As there was no objection further reading of the warrant was omitted. At that time Nellie Smith, Agnes Sherwin, Clare Creighton and Charles Fagan were sworn in as ballot clerks. The polls were declared open at 8:05 A. M.

Ella Wilder, Benjamin Poor, Charlotte Russell, Julia Altmiller, Melora Proctor, Mary Waitt, Ruth Marshall, Annie Bailey and Leslie Hurley were also sworn in as tellers and ballot clerks.

At 11 o'clock the meeting was again called to order by the Moderator, the Town Clerk finished the reading of the warrant, and action was taken on the articles as follows:

Article 1. Voted that all officers not required by law to be elected by ballot be appointed by the Selectmen.

Article 2. Voted to accept the printed reports of officers and committees of the town.

Article 3. Voted to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1938, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any notes or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44 of the General Laws.

Article 4. Voted to authorize the Town Treasurer, with

the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow a sum of money, not to exceed \$15,000, in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year 1939, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44 of the General Laws.

Article 5. Voted that the town authorize the Selectmen to act as agents to prosecute and defend all suits in behalf of the town, with power to employ counsel.

Article 6. Voted that the town authorize the Selectmen to act as a committee for the suppression of vice and to prosecute the illegal sale of intoxicating liquors in this town.

Article 7. Voted that the money refunded to the town on account of dog licenses paid to the County be used for the Public Library.

Article 8. Action on the Budget followed as listed. The Moderator announced that appropriations as voted would be expended under the direction of the heads of the several departments.

BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Moderator	\$ 10.00
Selectmen's salaries	550.00
Selectmen's expense	100.00
Treasurer's salary	400.00
Treasurer's expense	250.00
Tax Collector's salary	500.00
Tax Collector's expense	300.00
Accountant's salary	500.00
Accountant's expense	40.00
Town Clerk's salary	100.00

Town Clerk's expense	50.00
Town Counsel	100.00
Assessors	600.00
Election and registration	350.00
Certifying town notes	20.00
Memorial Hall	1,300.00

PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY

Police	700.00
Firemen's salaries	1,135.00
Fire Department expense	950.00
Forest fires	300.00
Moth suppression	700.00
Tree warden	100.00
Pruning elms	100.00
Sealer of weights and measures	90.00
Bounties	10.00

HEALTH AND SANITATION

Board of Health	300.00
Vital statistics	70.00
Nashoba Health District	680.00
Town Nurse	800.00
Inspection of meat and animals	75.00
Dog officer	50.00
Vaccine for rabies	50.00
Town dump	150.00

HIGHWAYS

Bridges and village streets	1,000.00
Snow removal	2,500.00
Street lighting	1,749.45

PUBLIC WELFARE

Salaries of Board	500.00
Expense of Board	100.00

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Relief	4,000.00
Infirmary	2,500.00
Old age assistance	12,000.00

SOLDIERS' BENEFITS

Soldiers' Relief	200.00
State aid	240.00

SCHOOLS

General expense and vocational education	31,865.00
Vocational tuition	75.00

LIBRARY

General expense	957.10
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RECREATION AND UNCLASSIFIED

Parks, general	25.00
Band concerts	200.00
Memorial Day observance	100.00
Compensation insurance	650.00
Town reports	372.00
Miscellaneous	200.00
Reserve fund	2,000.00

CEMETERIES

General and annual care	500.00
Soldiers' graves	150.00

WATER DEPARTMENT

Annual maintenance	3,750.00
Hydrant service	3,480.00

INTEREST

General account	500.00
On water bonds	4,200.00

MATURING DEBT

Water system extensions	2,800.00	
Water bond issue	1,507.17	
Total of budget items		\$89,550.72

Added, Appropriations Under Articles:

Art. 9—Road repairs, Chapter 81	\$7,000.00	
Art. 10—Highway maint., Chap. 90	2,000.00	
Art. 11—Highway const., Chap. 90	2,000.00	
Art. 13—Works Progress Admin. Exp.	750.35	
Art. 14—Townsend Band anniversary	200.00	
Art. 15—Middlesex County Hospital	1,253.13	
Art. 16—Middlesex County Hosp. Add'l.	1,003.15	
Art. 20—Assessors' map of Townsend	500.00	
Art. 21—Bow Street sidewalk	100.00	
Art. 22—Special, Board of Health	189.00	
Art. 25—Historical papers preservation	75.00	
Art. 29—Painting and repairs, Seminary Hall.	300.00	
Art. 30—Agent for Tax Title Possessions	100.00	
		\$15,470.63
Total appropriations		\$105,021.35

Article 9. Voted that the town instruct the Selectmen to enter into a contract with the Department of Public Works, Division of Highways, that a portion of the sum available under provisions of Chapter 81 of the General Laws, as amended, be appropriated and expended in Townsend; and that the town raise and appropriate the sum of \$7,000 as its share of the amount to be expended under this contract.

Article 10. Voted that the town raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000 for the improvement of the Lunenburg Road to the New Hampshire Line, the Mason Road and Warren

Road; said sum, or any portion thereof, to be used in conjunction with any which may be allotted by the State or County, or both, for this purpose.

Article 11. Voted that the Selectmen be instructed to enter into a proposed contract with the Department of Public Works, Division of Highways, and the Middlesex County Commissioners, for the continuance of the construction of a portion of the Mason and Warren Roads, and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000 for each road as the town's share of said construction.

Article 12. Voted that the roads of the town be kept passable for automobiles so far as practicable during the winters of 1938 and 1939.

Article 13. Voted that the town raise and appropriate the sum of \$750.35 to be used with the amount appropriated under Article 24, to pay the miscellaneous operating expenses of the Works Progress Administration in Townsend.

Article 14. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$200 for the observance of the 100th Anniversary of the Townsend Band and Old Home Day celebration to be held this coming summer; the date to be selected and the money to be expended by the general committee of townspeople, which was selected and organized on last Friday evening, March 4th.

Article 15. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500, this being the town's share of the principal of the Middlesex County Tuberculosis Hospital Funding Loan, Acts of 1932, bonds maturing in 1938, and that a further sum of \$95.62 be appropriated on account of interest and other charges on account thereof. That a further sum of \$657.51 be appropriated for the town's share of the net cost of care, maintenance and repairs of the Middlesex County Hospital, including interest on temporary notes issued therefor, in ac-

cordance with sections of Chapter 111 of the General Laws applicable thereto, including Chapter 400, Section 25 G (6) (a) of the Acts of 1936, the whole amounting to \$1,253.13.

Article 16. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,003.15 for the purpose of paying "in full" the assessment made on the town for its proportion of the cost of making alterations in and to the Middlesex County Tuberculosis Hospital, under Chapter 417 of the Acts of 1935, as amended, and that the said sum of \$1,003.15 be raised and appropriated in this year's tax levy.

Article 17. Voted that the town authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to use the available balance on the Water System Construction Account for the payment of notes and bonds maturing during the year 1938.

Article 18. Voted unanimously that the Selectmen be authorized to void the existing contract between the Town of Townsend and the Fitchburg Gas and Electric Light Company, and to enter into a new contract with the Fitchburg Gas and Electric Light Company for a term not exceeding five years for lighting the streets of Townsend with 99 60-candle power lights and 8 100-candle power lights until 1 A. M., and to raise and appropriate therefor the sum of \$1,749.45.

Article 19. Voted to direct the Park Commissioners to have the seats placed on the Common from May 1st to November 15th.

Article 20. After much discussion it was voted that the town raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 to make an Assessors' map of the Town of Townsend, provided that the Works Progress Administration agrees to contribute a sum sufficient to cover all labor used on the project.

Article 21. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of

\$100 to construct a gravel sidewalk with a mixed top surface and a catch-basin on the easterly side of Bow Street, abutting the properties of Samuel A. Woods, Herbert Stearns and C. Herbert Gerrold. An amendment was made to this vote requiring the abutters to pay one-half of the construction costs.

Article 22. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$189.00 to pay the Middlesex County Tuberculosis Hospital for the care in 1937 and 1938 of a patient committed by the Board of Health of Townsend.

Article 23. Voted unanimously that the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, be authorized to borrow the sum of \$3,000 on Tax Titles under the provisions of Chapter 49, Acts of 1933, as amended, the proceeds of the loan to be used for ordinary maintenance expenses.

Article 24. Voted to re-appropriate to the Miscellaneous Operating Expenses of the Works Progress Administration in this town the amount of \$749.65, representing the amounts of unexpended balances; namely, additional fire equipment \$0.65, School Street Drainage \$693.20, and Installing Cemetery Water \$55.80.

Article 25. Voted that the town raise and appropriate the additional sum of \$75.00 to restore and put into permanent form certain valuable historical papers belonging to the town.

Article 26. Voted that the town accept with gratitude and deep appreciation from the Estate of the late Maria L. Lane the gift and bequest of \$1,500; said gift and bequest to be known as the Maria L. Lane Fund, and to be used in accordance with the wishes of the donor, as set forth in said gift and bequest.

Article 27. Voted that the town accept with gratitude and deep appreciation from the Estate of the late Martha E.

Homer the gifts, devises and bequests as set forth in the first and second clauses of the Last Will and Testament of the said Martha E. Homer; said gifts and bequests to be used and designated in accordance with the terms and wishes of the donors, as expressed in said Will.

Article 28. Voted that the town accept the private ways now known as Riverbank Terrace and Jefts Street as public ways.

Article 29. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$300.00 to paint and do any necessary repairs to Seminary Hall.

Article 30. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$100.00 to pay the salary and expenses of an agent to take care of all properties acquired by the town through the foreclosure of tax titles; this agent to be appointed by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 31. Voted to accept from Lona E. Russell the sum of one hundred dollars, in trust, the income therefrom to be expended for the perpetual care of the Charles W. Russell lot in the cemetery at Townsend Center.

Article 32. Voted to accept from Mary R. Goodwin the sum of \$100.00, in trust, the income therefrom to be expended for the perpetual care of the Thomas T. Goodwin lot in the cemetery at Townsend Center.

Article 33. Voted to accept from Fred Patch the sum of \$100.00 in trust, the income to be expended for the perpetual care of the Charles Edward Patch lot in the cemetery at West Townsend.

Article 34. Voted to accept from Irene C. Coffey the sum of \$100.00, in trust, the income therefrom to be expended for the perpetual care of the Dennis J. Coffey lot in the cemetery at Townsend Center.

Article 35. Voted to accept from T. James Harvey the sum of \$100.00, in trust, the income therefrom to be expended as a floral fund for the Gustavus Anderson lot in the cemetery at Townsend Center.

Article 36. Voted to accept from Harriet Spaulding the sum of \$100.00, in trust, the income therefrom to be expended for the perpetual care of the Anson Spaulding lot in the cemetery at Townsend Center.

Article 37. Voted to authorize the Cemetery Commissioners to sell the steam boiler and pumps now located in the pump house in Hillside Cemetery.

Article 38. This article was passed.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, the polls having been closed and ballots counted, the following results were announced by the Moderator.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Moderator

A. Dudley Bagley, Jr.	367
Hamilton Bailey	1
Harold Gilchrist	1
William Creighton	1
Blanks	4

Selectmen

Earle S. Bagley	354
Willard A. Greer	356
Hollis Hathaway	346
Roland Tumber	1
R. Thatcher	1
A. H. Ball	1
Frank Brown	1
Blanks	262

Town Clerk

Robert A. Copeland	401
Malcolm McCullough	1
Blanks	39

Town Treasurer

William H. Millington	368
Blanks	73

Tax Collector

Clement J. Altmiller	389
Blanks	52

Board of Public Welfare

Francis N. Boutelle	334
Clare F. Creighton	346
Lilla M. Seaver	328
Eliza Bennett	2
Blanks	313

School Committee

Cornelius P. Keefe	383
Harry A. Morrison	342
Blanks	157

Assessors

Walter D. Farrar	359
Fred Dwinnell	3
Ethel Scott	1
Blanks	78

Constables

Richard A. Keefe	363
Howard B. Morse	381
Ralph Kilbourn	1
Blanks	137

Tree Warden

William W. Copeland	350
Blanks	91

Board of Health

Richard S. Ely	375
Melora E. Proctor	350
Lester R. Spofford	347
Blanks	251

Library Trustee

Robert G. Fessenden	363
Blanks	78

Park Commissioner

Albert J. Atwood	363
Blanks	78

Cemetery Commissioner, Three Years

Charles A. Laws	61
John W. Livingston	331
Millard Leeman	1
Blanks	48

Water Commissioner

Hamilton R. Bailey	366
John Smith	1
Blanks	74

Cemetery Commissioner, One Year

Joseph R. Arlin	127
Eneas C. Morgan	215
Elmer B. Shattuck	66
Oscar Blood	1
Blanks	32

Trustees, James N. Tucker Fund

Richard S. Ely	361
Eva M. Ely	350
Clarence W. Sherwin	347
Blanks	265

There being no further business the meeting dissolved
at 5:10 P. M.

Attest:

Robert A. Copeland,

Town Clerk.

Special Town Meeting

December 30, 1938.

Article 1. To see if the town will vote to transfer from the Surplus Overlay Reserve an amount sufficient to cover overdrafts in the Overlay Accounts for the abatement of taxes of the years 1933, 1934 and 1935.

Article 2. To see if the town will vote to appropriate from the Surplus Overlay Reserve the sum of \$609.75 to pay for the new forest fire pump, or take any action relating thereto.

Article 3. To see if the town will vote to appropriate from Surplus Revenue a sum of money for the purchase of new hose for the Fire Department, or take any action relating thereto.

Article 4. To see if the town will vote to appropriate from Surplus Revenue a sum of money for special expense to be incurred under the Works Progress Administration, or take any action relating thereto.

Article 5. To see if the town will vote to authorize a transfer from the Surplus Revenue to the Special Road Machinery Account, or take any action relating thereto.

Article 6. To see if the town will appropriate from the Surplus Revenue for Old Age Assistance of 1938, or take any action relating thereto.

Article 7. To see if the town will appropriate from the Surplus Revenue for Welfare Relief of 1938, or take any action relating thereto.

Article 8. To see if the town will appropriate from the Surplus Revenue for Infirmary expense of 1938, or take any action relating thereto.

Article 9. To see if the town will appropriate from the Surplus Revenue a sum of money to clean up the hurricane damage remaining in the cemeteries, or take any action relating thereto.

Article 10. To see if the town will vote to appropriate from Surplus Revenue the sum of \$200.00 to settle the now pending suit of Augustus Rossi against the Town of Townsend and others; or take any action relating thereto.

Article 11. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Welfare Department and the Park Department, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, to see or otherwise dispose of certain timber and wood on the Town Infirmary property and in Howard Park; or take any action relating thereto.

Article 12. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to sell the land on the Northerly side of Main Street in Townsend, upon which the old Town Barn existed; or take any action relating thereto.

Article 13. To see if the town will accept from the North Star Lodge No. 144 the sum of \$50.00 for the perpetual care of the Odd Fellows lot in the cemetery at Townsend Center.

Article 14. To see if the town will vote to accept from Mr. Arthur P. Homer, a certain parcel of land situated in West Townsend adjacent to Riverside Cemetery, for cemetery purposes, or take any action relating thereto.

Article 15. To choose committees, or act in any way in relation to the foregoing articles.

Given under our hands, this twenty-second day of December, 1938.

EARLE S. BAGLEY,
HOLLIS HATHAWAY,
WILLARD A. GREER,

Selectmen of Townsend.

Pursuant to the warrant a special town meeting was held in Memorial Hall on December 30, 1938 at 8 o'clock, P. M. The meeting was called to order by the Moderator, A. Dudley Bagley, Jr. The Town Clerk read the warrant and action on the articles was as follows:

Article 1. Voted that the town transfer from the Surplus Overlay Reserve the sum of \$424.79 to cover overdrafts on the Overlay Accounts for the abatement of taxes of the years 1933, 1934 and 1935.

Article 2. Voted that the town appropriate from the Surplus Overlay Reserve fund the sum of \$609.75 to pay for the new forest fire pump.

Article 3. Voted that the town appropriate from the Surplus Revenue \$700.00 to purchase 1200 feet of 2½-inch hose and 1000 feet of forest fire hose for the Fire Department.

Article 4. Voted that the town appropriate from the Surplus Revenue the sum of \$2,000 for miscellaneous operating expenses of the Works Progress Administration in Townsend.

Article 5. Voted that the town appropriate and transfer from the Surplus Revenue the sum of \$1,500 for the Special Road Machinery Account.

Article 6. Voted that the town appropriate from the Surplus Revenue the sum of \$743.68 for Old Age Assistance for the year 1938.

Article 7. Voted that the town appropriate from the Surplus Revenue the sum of \$800 for Relief for the year 1938.

Article 8. Voted that the town appropriate from the Surplus Revenue the sum of \$175.32 for the Infirmary for the year 1938.

Article 9. Voted that the town appropriate from the Surplus Revenue the sum of \$500.00 to clean up the hurricane damage in the cemeteries of Townsend.

Article 10. Voted that the town appropriate from the Surplus Revenue the sum of \$200.00 to settle the case of Augustus Rossi vs. the Town of Townsend et als.

Article 11. Voted that the Board of Public Welfare with the approval of the Board of Selectmen be, and hereby are authorized to sell or otherwise dispose of certain timber and wood on the Town Infirmary property; and that the Park Commissioners, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, be and are hereby authorized to sell or otherwise dispose of the timber and wood in Howard Park.

Article 12. Voted that the Board of Selectmen be and are hereby authorized to sell the land on the northerly side of Main Street, in Townsend, upon which the old Town Barn existed.

Article 13. Voted to accept from the North Star Lodge No. 144 the sum of \$50.00, in trust, the income therefrom to be expended for the perpetual care of the Odd Fellows lot in the cemetery at Townsend Center.

Article 14. Voted that the town accept with gratitude and deep appreciation from Mrs. Roberta C. Homer a parcel of land in West Townsend, adjacent to the Riverside Cemetery, the same to be used solely for Cemetery purposes.

Article 15. Voted to pass the article.

At this time the Town Accountant explained (1) that action on the above articles would not be final until, by law, the State Commissioner of Taxation had given his approval of such transfers and appropriations from the Surplus Revenue, and (2) that by making such appropriations while there is free cash in the treasury the town has relieved the tax levy of 1939 by the total of the transfers so made, or over \$6,000.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 8:45 P. M.

Attest:

ROBERT A. COPELAND,

Town Clerk.

COPY OF APPROVAL OF COMMISSIONER

January 14, 1939.

Under the authority of Section 23 of Chapter 59 of the General Laws approval is hereby given to the appropriations from available funds which were voted by the town of Townsend on December 30, 1938.

(Signed)

Henry F. Long,

Commissioner of Corporations and Taxation.

Notice

All persons are respectfully requested to examine the following reports of births, marriages and deaths, and report to the Town Clerk any errors or omissions that may be found therein, so that the records may be corrected. Any error in the record, other than a mistake in copying a certificate or return, can be corrected only in accordance with a deposition, under oath, made by one who was required by law to furnish the information for the original record, or by three of more creditable persons having knowledge of the case. (See Revised Laws, Chapter 29, Section 9 and 16.)

The Town Clerk hereby gives notice that he is prepared to furnish parents, householders, physicians and midwives applying therefor, with blanks for return of births, as required by law.

ROBERT A. COPELAND

Town Clerk.

Births Registered in Townsend 1938

Date	Name	Parents
Jan. 9	William Erwin Maxwell ...	Edwin and Arvilla Maxwell
Jan. 20	Stillborn	
Jan. 23	Jean Adeline Makela	Reino and Vieno Makela
Jan. 29	Brian Kent Colby	Everett and Mildred Colby
Feb. 11	Chester Johnson Nortonen ..	Eino and Hilda Nortonen
Feb. 28	Virginia Ilene Shepherd	Elwin and Sarah Shepherd
March 3	Dorothy Frances Welch ...	Louis and Frances Welch
March 18	Marguery Reeves	William and Lillian Reeves
March 25	James Stephen Montague ..	Clifford and Winifred Montague
April 6	Virginia Lottie Chace	Emerson and Eva Chace
April 7	Donna Lee Marquis	Omer and Gladys Marquis
April 14	Allan Richard Kalinen	Lauri and Lea Kalinen
May 24	Daniel Otto Paul Meyer ...	William and Vieno Meyer
June 1	Roger Edward Dwinell	Fred and Bertha Dwinell
June 4	Martin Erick Maki	Martin and Viola Maki
June 5	Bradlee Vale Starrett	Harold and Rose Starrett
June 29	Nancy Louise Derosier	William and Verna Derosier
July 3	Shirley Ann McGinnis	Edward and Shirley McGinnis
July 12	Richard Arnold Jarvi	Nestor and Elsie Jarvi
July 13	Kenneth Ashley Hayward ..	Russell and Cora Hayward
July 20	John Dennie Amiro	Raymond and Ethel Amiro
Aug. 4	Stillborn	
Aug. 5	Herbert Alvin Wilson	Ralph and Eleanor Wilson
Aug. 6	George Matti Joki	George and Alice Joki
Aug. 9	Lois Margaret Grogan	Frederick and Ada Grogan
Aug. 11	Jean Ann Hickey	Maurice and Marjorie Hickey
Sept. 1	James Lorendo Beauregard ..	Laurendo and Lillian Beauregard
Oct. 8	Joan Carol Beers	Frank and Katherine Beers
Oct. 19	Lucille Rose Fleck	Leander and Grace Fleck
Oct. 23	Bernard Arthur Jensen ...	Walter and Virginia Jensen
Oct. 29	Janice Ida Laitala	George and Elsie Laitala
Nov. 3	Wayne Kendall	Edward and Carol Kendall
Nov. 19	Doris Ann Wyeth	Edison and Alice Wyeth
Nov. 23	Donald Martin Wiik	Martin and Ruth Wiik
Dec. 7	Arthur Walter Gulliver	Ernest and Ruth Gulliver
Dec. 10	Jennie Agnes Burke	Roger and Mary Burke
Dec. 14	Emory Henderson Mann, Jr.	Emory and Charlotte Mann
Dec. 28	Stephen Walker Brown	Roy and Edna Brown

Marriages Registered in Townsend 1938

Date	Name	Residence	Age
Feb. 22	Leo Bradley	Acton	28
	Florence Mauro Lucas	Acton	22
Feb. 26	Leon C. Greeley	Pepperell	24
	Kathleen A. Holt	Pepperell	18
April 17	Martin A. Wilk	Townsend	21
	Ruth Conners	Townsend	21
April 21	Daniel B. Ormsby	Townsend	33
	Lillian B. Stuart	Pepperell	35
May 11	Edgar F. Wilson	Townsend	50
	Vera R. Sullivan	Townsend	30
May 12	Weikko Krull	Townsend	23
	Violet Hutchins	Fitchburg	20
May 26	Malcolm A. McCollough	Townsend	26
	Leora N. Scott	Townsend	22
June 1	Herbert L. Spofford, Jr.	Townsend	31
	Irene B. Buchanan	Lincoln	25
June 18	William Stoddard, Jr.	Milford, N. H.	21
	Ruth Ina Watts	Wilton, N. H.	21
June 29	Richard F. Powell	Townsend	36
	Jeanette B. Lakin	Townsend	39
July 2	Royce W. Owen	Leominster	34
	Lauretta D. Gaudet	Fitchburg	35
July 27	Evan Newton Washburn	Lexington	53
	Elizabeth Dunlap	Lexington	35
Aug. 3	Stephen W. Keefe, Jr.	Townsend	21
	Katherine A. Domina	Townsend	29
Aug. 20	George S. Winchester	Lunenburg	54
	Elizabeth G. Tumith	Lunenburg	49
Aug. 26	Albert H. Newell	Ashburnham	32
	Margaret A. Domina	Townsend	26
Sept. 19	Paul L. Jarest	Wilton, N. H.	23
	Bertha W. Mattila	Townsend	21
Sept. 22	Harry A. Brown, Jr.	Lunenburg	26
	Gladys A. Leonard	Townsend	29
Sept. 24	Bruno E. Lindberg	Townsend	23
	Vera V. Mieskolainen	Gardner	18
Oct. 10	John R. Leppanen	Townsend	25
	Helvi Keurulainen	Townsend	19
Oct. 15	Frank O'Donnell	Lawrence	23
	Vieno Koski	Townsend	20
Nov. 1	Francis P. Bennett	Fitchburg	25
	Ina F. Leonard	Townsend	27
Nov. 18	Robert W. Holmes	Ashby	30
	Aune J. Cooper	Townsend	28
Nov. 24	Allison E. Ganong, Jr.	Townsend	26
	Pauline E. Prevost	Townsend	24
Nov. 24	Rudolph E. Koskela	Townsend	28
	Alli Wainio	Townsend	26

Marriages Registered in Townsend 1938
(Continued)

Date	Name	Residence	Age
Dec. 6	Abel Cutting	Sudbury	31
	Gertrude A. Mead	Townsend	28
Dec. 16	James E. Carpenter	South Sudbury	20
	Margaret L. Rochon	Maynard	18
Dec. 25	Howard R. Sumner	West Halifax, Vt.	23
	Ellen E. Niemi	Townsend	25
Dec. 26	Harry Macdonald	Townsend	26
	Josephine Bouchard	Leominster	29
Dec. 27	Preston S. Davis	Auburn, N. H.	25
	Muriel A. Harris	Auburn, N. H.	21
Dec. 31	Winston H. Bowler	Milford, N. H.	24
	Jeannette M. Bond	Manchester, N. H.	22

Deaths Registered in Townsend 1938

Date	Name	Age			Place of Burial
		Y	M	D	
Jan. 5	John E. Norris	89	4	30	Waltham
Jan. 8	Ransom B. Adams	75	7	16	Townsend
Jan. 20					
Feb. 1	Isabelle Valcourt	23	4	4	Natick
Feb. 22	Lottie M. Grimes	65	2	12	Troy, N. Y.
March 16	Clarabell M. Richardson	64	2	19	West Townsend
March 18	Richard D. Walsh	6	7		Townsend
March 24	George H. Bowers	70	10	16	Fitchburg
April 12	Lula M. Ames	59	9	3	Waldoboro, Maine
May 11	Duncan Rusk	79	6	23	West Townsend
May 18	Addie E. Leonard	60	9	24	Townsend
June 8	Samuel D. Dwyer	72	11	17	Townsend
June 14	Eliza Tumber	73	8	15	West Townsend
June 22	Ella M. Creighton	72	10	21	New Ipswich, N. H.
July 15	Henrietta Gorham	67		5	Townsend
July 17	William O'Brien	90	4	25	Townsend
Aug. 1	Annie E. King	84	7		Townsend
Aug. 4					
Aug. 18	Eldena F. Parker	60			Townsend
Aug. 19	Carrie Wright	80	8	14	Mason, N. H.
Sept. 12	Mary F. Hapgood	94	5	10	Ashby
Oct. 16	Lendall U. Clement	83	3	12	Townsend
Oct. 18	Charles H. Gerrold	71	1	2	Everett
Nov. 11	Charles A. Jodrey	69	3	17	West Townsend
Nov. 16	Nancy Hayward	5	11	15	West Townsend
Dec. 15	Thomas H. Grimes	74	5	28	Malden

Bodies Brought to Townsend for Burial

Date	Name	Residence
January	Mary Ducharme	Leominster
February	Eleanor B. Dunn	Amherst, N. H.
March	Addie A. Going	Nashua, N. H.
April	Rose Ingraham	Brookline, Mass.
June	Joseph E. Waterhouse	Waltham
June	May A. Thomas	Harwich Port
June	Eliab Going	Fitchburg
July	William S. Brown	Brookline, N. H.
September	Agnes Going	Milton, N. H.
October	Charles A. Frazier	Rutland, N. Y.
December	Lucille S. Reed	Brockton

Report of Dog Licenses

201 Male dogs at \$2.00 each	\$402.00	
27 Female dogs at \$5.00 each	135.00	
48 Spayed dogs at \$2.00 each	96.00	
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276 dogs		633.00
Less Clerks fees		55.20
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		\$577.80

Report of Hunting and Fishing Licenses

181 Licenses	\$414.50	
2 Duplicates	1.00	
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		\$415.50
Less clerk's fees		45.25
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Paid Fish and Game Commission		\$370.25

Report of Janitor of Memorial Hall

Amounts Due for 1938

Finnish Cooperative	\$36.00
Robert Zernisky Movies	25.00
Woman's Club	19.00
Ladies' Benevolent Society	15.00
Townsend Club	12.00
Follansbee Shows	10.00
Townsend Band	6.00
Girl Scouts	6.00
Rudolph Koskela	6.00
American Legion	5.00
Ken McKenzie Show	5.00
Table paper	.55

Total collected and paid Treasurer \$145.55

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT A. COPELAND, Janitor

Annual Report for the Board of Health

The Nashoba Associated Boards of Health, agents for the Board of Health of Townsend, herewith transmits their annual report covering the activities for the year 1938.

An audiometer was purchased by the Unit last year and was used to some extent in the district. However, this year all the schools have been visited and the hearing of all the pupils tested. The total number tested from grades three through twelve was 290; number found defective and retested 105; number improved on retest 68; and the number showing a definite defect 37.

Children from the first and second grades are tested by means of the Sperry Watch since they are not sufficiently advanced to understand the numbers or to write the numbers down if they do understand them. Total number tested 66; and the number found defective 4.

The hearing impairment in some children may account for their apparent inattentiveness or lack of ability to follow instructions. A hearing defect may not be recognized even by the parents. With this thought in mind, the audiometer work is carried out. The hearing of children must be protected as far as possible if they are to receive adequate training.

The school teachers are asked to grade the test papers so that they will have proper knowledge of the hearing defects of the children. All school authorities have cooperated exceedingly well on these tests. It should be noted that no children are marked defective until two tests have been made, as some are slower in understanding and coordinating in the test.

One of the outstanding features during the year 1938 was

the relatively low incidence of communicable diseases. This was experienced as a whole throughout the entire state.

The following communicable diseases were reported to the Health Unit :

Chicken Pox	16
Lobar Pneumonia	1
Scarlet Fever	7
Mumps	3
Meningitis	1
Dog Bite	1

The case of meningitis was first suspected to be epidemic cerebro-spinal in type, but the clinical diagnosis at the hospital was influenza. This type occurs in isolated cases and with small danger to surrounding contacts. In reality it is influenzae attacking the brain rather than the lungs. No quarantine is necessary after the proper diagnosis is made. The diagnosis in this case was made by tapping the spinal cord for serum and confirmed by the state laboratory. Three investigations were made by the Health Unit office in this case.

The Diphtheria Immunization Clinic which is conducted during the spring of each year and is offered to children from six months to ten years of age was attended by 40 children; nine infants, 24 preschool children and seven school children.

The Tuberculosis Diagnostic Clinic, which is held the fourth Wednesday of each month, examines all cases referred by the family physician, the school doctor, public health nurse, and other individuals who wish to rule out the possibility of persons having tuberculosis.

During the year 22 visits were made to this clinic by 17

residents of Townsend; four of these were new patients and 18 re-examinations.

The object of the School Clinics is the early diagnosis of tuberculosis. Continuing the change in conducting these clinics by examining only the high schools pupils, a total of three individuals were x-rayed and examined during 1938.

Well-Child Conferences were held bi-monthly with a total attendance of 57; 22 of these were infants under one year of age, and 35 preschool children.

Through the personal conferences the parents receive instructions in diet, training, child hygiene, and good health habits. It is also, of course, stressed that defects found should be corrected.

An interesting exhibit was prepared by the Health Unit and shown at the annual Grange fair in September.

All of the dairy farms and milk plants producing and handling milk for the Town of Townsend are under our immediate sanitary supervision. It is our practice to inspect all pasteurizing plants at least twice a month and dairy farms at least twice a year. Samples of milk for laboratory examination are taken from each retail dealer monthly and from each dairy farm selling to pasteurizing plants quarterly.

There have been 65 visits made to dairy farms, and 17 visits to pasteurization plants this year. These visits have been either for inspection, collection of milk samples, or to assist dairymen in particular problems. A total of 133 milk samples were collected. Nine licenses for the sale of milk and cream were issued and the fees (\$4.50) sent to the town treasurer.

Eleven inspections were made of eating places in Town-

send. In each case the establishment was found to be generally satisfactory.

We received 22 requests to have well water tested, and two nuisance complaints were investigated.

The school building in Townsend has been inspected this fall and found to be in excellent condition and well maintained.

We wish to extend thanks to the Nursing Committee, and School Department for their friendly and cooperative relations with the Health Unit.

Respectfully submitted,

J. O. WAILS, M. D., Director

Nashoba Associated Boards of Health.

Report of Cemetery Commissioners

Townsend, Mass., January 1, 1939

To the Board of Selectmen: .

The work in the cemeteries has been greatly increased the past year due to the heavy rains of the summer. Also the hurricane damage which was quite extensive, but with the funds voted at the special town meeting, it is hoped that the repairs can be made before the summer work starts.

As the fence along Highland Street is badly damaged we would suggest that it be removed.

Once again we would ask for a WPA project to repair the old cemetery and the hill section in Hillside Cemetery.

The gift of land by Mrs. A. P. Homer, adjoining Riverside Cemetery is greatly appreciated.

Financial Statement.

ANNUAL CARE AND MAINTENANCE

Jan. 1, Uncollected	\$222.50	
Dec. 31, Annual care charges	313.50	
Dec. 31, Foundation charges	87.50	
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Total to be collected		\$623.50
Annual care collected, paid Treasurer	\$260.85	
Foundations and Sales collected, paid		
Treasurer	79.50	
Abated	5.00	
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		\$345.35
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Total uncollected Dec. 31, 1938		\$278.15

Respectfully submitted,

E. C. MORGAN,

J. W. LIVINGSTON,

A. C. HODGMAN,

Cemetery Commissioners.

Report of Board of Assessors

December 30, 1938

Town Appropriations March 7, 1938	102 765.07	
Town Appropriation for Tuberculosis Hospital	2,256.28	
Town Appropriation from Available Funds	749.65	
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		105,771.00

State Assessments

	1938 Estimate	1937 Underestimate	
State Tax	3,040.00	292.50	
Auditing	10.11		
State Parks	69.91	20.84	
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			3,433.36

County Assessments

County Tax	3,846.44	45.43	3,891.87
Overlay of Current Year			1,884.35

Total Amount to be Raised

114,980.58

ESTIMATED RECEIPTS:

Income Tax	8034.50
Corporation Tax	6,009.08
State Owned Land	678.32
Motor Vehicle Excise	3,250.00
Licenses	150.00
Fines	60.00
General Government	180.00
Health and Sanitation	82.00

Soldiers' Benefits	240.00
Charities	2,930.00
Schools	5,527.00
Libraries	52.00
Old Age Assistance	1,820.00
Water Department	7,230.00
Cemeteries	430.00
Interest on Taxes	1,530.00
Veterans' Exemptions	4.65

Total Estimated Receipts	38,207.55
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AVAILABLE FUNDS:

Tax Title Loan	3000.00
Appropriations of Balances on Special Ac'ts of 1937	749.65

Total of Available Funds	3,749.65
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Total Amount to be Deducted	41,957.20
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Net amount to be Raised by Taxation and Polls	73,023.38
Deduct 615 Polls at 2.00	1,230.00

Net Amount to be Raised on Property	71,793.38
Loss in figuring Taxes	.65

Committed to Tax Collector May 23, 1938	71,792.73
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Value of Personal Property	176,723.00
Value of Real Estate	1,959,985.00
Tax Rate	33.60

Commitments to Collector

Personal Property	5,937.67
Real Estate	65,855.06
Polls	1,230.00
Excise	3,256.13
December	249.48
Additional Polls	36.00

Abatements made 1938:

Levy of 1933 Real Estate	19.11
Levy of 1934 Real Estate	184.48
Levy of 1935 Real Estate	554.79
Levy of 1936 Real Estate	1,115.44
Levy of 1937 Real Estate	744.16
Levy of 1938 Real Estate	366.57
Polls	48.00
Excise	94.79
Number of Horses	63
Number of Cows	245
Number of Neat	80
Number of Sheep	1
Number of Goats	22
Number of Swine	90
Number of Fowl	18,860
Number of Foxes	41
Number of Acres of Land	16,860
Number of Acres Owned by State	3589

Respectfully submitted,

Walter D. Farrar
Joseph R. Arlin
Benjamin P. Poor

Assessors of Townsend.

Sealer of Weights and Measures

Townsend, Mass., January 17, 1939

Board of Selectmen,
Town of Townsend
Gentlemen:—

Herewith is my report of work performed in year ending
December 31, 1938:

Sets of scales sealed	33
Avoirdupois weights sealed	71
Liquid measures sealed	16
Gasoline pumps sealed	5
Gasoline meters sealed	20
Kerosene pumps sealed	8
Tank truck meters sealed	2
Yard measures sealed	4

I have collected and paid to town treasurer sealing fees
amounting to \$30.40.

Respectfully submitted,

DANIEL B. ORMSBY,
Sealer of Weights and Measures.

Report of Middlesex County Extension Service Director

The following is a report of the work of the Middlesex County Extension Service in Townsend, for the year 1938:

Dr. H. B. Boynton has been working on improving his pastures. His farm is well advanced from a few years ago. Lyman A. Cook's herd of Holsteins for the twelve months of 1938, had a production cost of \$0.98 per cwt. milk, and \$0.29 for each pound of butterfat, in the Middlesex County Dairy Herd Improvement Association. This herd leads the Association of forty-four herds. Mr. Cook has a series of improved pastures. Ladino clover is included in the seeding mixture. By top dressing and rotation pastures have furnished the major part of the feed cost. The importance of pasture improvement has been told to many farmers.

Farmers have been assisted in farm record keeping; they have been advised on crop rotations, growing of legumes and pastures. One meeting was held in February on feeding dairy cattle. Some assistance was given on plans for building construction.

Thirty-eight visits were made to fourteen Townsend farmers, concerning their poultry problems. Poultry meetings were held at the Townsend Town Hall, at which Professor R. W. Donaldson and Professor J. C. Graham spoke on poultry ranges. The Egg Sizing Bill was discussed; the poultry breeding film was shown, and Mr. Homer Huntington discussed the New England Fresh Egg Institute at this same meeting. The film, "Give the Fresh Egg a Break," was shown. The average attendance at these meetings was twenty-five.

One meeting on soil conservation was held, and a demonstration given on soil testing.

Following the hurricane, assistance was rendered in the marketing of wind-fall apples, the resetting of fruit trees, the financing of damage done to farm buildings by the storm, and in the salvaging of down timber.

Several series of meetings of interest to homemakers were held. The topics of the meetings were, "Money Management," "Little Girls' Dresses," "Refinishing of Furniture," "Food Preparation," "Consumer Buying of Clothing," and "Chair Caning and Seating."

Mr. Hamilton Bailey, Superintendent of Schools, was chairman of the 4-H Town Committee. The following served as leaders during the year: Mrs. Richard Battin, Miss Aina Williamson, Miss Catherine Proctor, Mrs. Sanford Johnson and Miss Charlotte Frye. Ten boys and twenty-eight girls were enrolled in the food, home furnishing, knitting, garden and conservation clubs.

Florence Valcourt and Caroline Perina were awarded the two-day trip to the Massachusetts State College because of the fine work they did in their respective clubs. Alice Perina was awarded a blue ribbon in the state 4-H food contest, and also a blue ribbon in the county dress contest.

Those receiving prizes in the Middlesex North Agricultural Society garden contest were Florence Valcourt, Wilfred Valcourt, Allen Saarinen, John and Frances Leahy.

A. F. MacDougall,
County Agricultural Agent.

Report of Highway Department

To the Board of Selectmen of Townsend:

I herewith submit my report as Superintendent of Streets for the year ending December 31, 1938.

In June the Board of Selectmen voted to raise the pay of laborers from forty to fifty cents per hour, and the superintendent's truck from one dollar to a dollar and fifty cents per day.

The state requires bids on all material used on the roads. Gravel coming under this heading was purchased from Roy Elliott because he put in the lowest bid of sixty cents per yard delivered anywhere in town.

In the spring all dirt roads were scraped, the tar roads were patched and the shoulders cut back. The following roads were resurfaced with asphalt: Highland, Townsend Hill, Smith, South Harbor, Lunenburg and parts of Adams, Meadow New Fitchburg, Worcester, and Bayberry Hill. Turnpike road from the school to Lindbergs was shaped up and received two coats of asphalt. Riverbank Terrace and Jefts street were graveled and received two coats of asphalt. Barker Hill was tarred from Smiths to Kruells. The brush was cut on practically all roads in town.

Under Chapter 90 Maintenance, Brookline, Mason, and Fitchburg roads were either tarred, or asphalted where needed. The incompleted construction on the Warren road was capped with gravel and three coats of asphalt applied.

Under Chapter 90 Construction, Mason road was completed to the state road. Five hundred feet of drainage and six catchbasins were installed. Due to late allotment of

money by the state, work on the Warren road was delayed until spring.

A sum of seven thousand dollars was received from the state for repair of flood damage in the middle of the summer and used as follows: As Barker Hill, Greenville, and Clements roads received the worst damage they required a large amount of gravel to repair them. Also many ditches were cleaned out, and either concrete pipe or metal culverts were installed to replace plugged up stone or metal culverts on Townsend Hill, Barker Hill, Bayberry Hill, Greenville, Adams, Meadow, North End, Clement, South Row, and Wheeler roads. A new abutment was constructed to replace one washed out by the flood on Boynton's bridge. The channel of Willard Brook was deepened on both sides of Boynton's bridge for considerable distance and the material was used to raise West Meadow road.

The following is the list of men and trucks employed by the Highway Department and the total wages received in 1938 under Chapters 81, 90 construction, 90 maintenance, storm damage, village streets, bridges and snow removal.

Roy Elliott, truck	\$2620.88
Roy Elliott, shovel	796.87
Thomas Lagasse, truck	128.76
Lauri Mattila, truck	2189.45
John Robichaud, truck	1680.99
Mervin Wares, truck	858.67
B. P. Poor, supt. and truck	1380.50
C. A. King, supt. and car	280.26
Harold Amadon	319.65
Roy Bailey	217.15
Howard Barkhouse	61.80
Henry Barlow	773.40
Feora Barrett	32.00
Oscar Blood	38.40
John Buono	72.00

Gilman Conant	527.00
Edmund Connors	52.00
Robert Dudley	129.55
Ralph Domina	143.90
John Gwinn	44.80
John Hallisey	175.50
William Hanna	18.40
John Holt (roller man)	122.00
George Joki	384.85
Joseph Kallio	208.50
William King	137.65
Arthur Lagasse	375.00
Thomas Lagasse	235.00
Michael Lavoie	198.60
William Leonard	28.80
Walter Leppanen	339.20
Manuel Leuz	184.50
Jesse Lillibridge	15.90
John MacDonald	222.50
Eino Maki	192.00
Leon Marshall	30.50
Henry Mattila	332.60
Waino Mattila	105.25
Laforest Merrill	766.25
William Meyer	105.00
John Ojala	140.00
Fred Prescott	427.70
Octave Richardson	14.60
Alex Roos	648.80
Richard Ross	444.20
William Sanders	64.00
Elwin Shepherd	30.00
Richard Spaulding	28.70
George Sullivan	60.00
Albert Terrell	157.40
Joseph Trottier	278.25
Edward Tumber	498.29

Ralph Waitt	336.00
George Wilson	33.40
George Wyeth	32.00
Charles Wyman	175.90
Clarence Wyman	704.30
Less than \$10 each	191.05

Respectfully submitted,

Benj. P. Poor

Superintendent of Streets

List of Jurors, Town of Townsend

1938-1939

Name	Occupation	Address
Adams, Haro'd C.	Millhand	Townsend
Curtis, George C.	Machinist	West Townsend
Copeland, Robert A.	Janitor	Townsend
Cowdrey, Rouy, M.	Barber	Townsend
Ely, K. Raymond	Bookkeeper	West Townsend
Greer, Willard A.	Storekeeper	Townsend
Hamilton, Frank J.	Farmer	West Townsend
Hill, Hugh J.	Millhand	Townsend
Johnson, Hjalmar	Truck driver	Townsend
Johnson, Charles K.	Printer	Townsend
Leonard, Walter F.	Millhand	Townsend
Leaman, Everett L.	Stave-sawyer	Townsend
Morse, Howard B.	Cooper	Townsend
Marshall, Leon S.	State worker	Townsend
Misner, Robert S.	Foreman	Townsend
Morgan, Eneas C.	Workman	Townsend
Merrill, Harry W.	Millhand	Townsend
O'Brien, John E.	Cooper	Townsend
Powell George V.	Cooper	Townsend
Rusk, Richard E.	Stonemason	West Townsend
Reynolds, Charles H.	Workman	West Townsend
Swicker, Aden J.	Millhand	Townsend
Wilson, Herbert A.	Millwright	Townsend
Walsh, Charles A.	Millhand	Townsend
Wright, Roy E.	Clerk	Townsend
Wyman, Albert B.	Workman	West Townsend

EARLE S. BAGLEY,
HOLLIS HATHAWAY,
WILLARD A. GREER,

Selectmen of Townsend

Organization of the School Department 1938-1939

COMMITTEE

Dr. Myron W. Adams	Term Expires 1939
Roswell A. Lancey	Term Expires 1939
Mrs. Hattie Davis, Chairman	Term Expires 1940
Mrs. Ellen Whitcomb, Secretary	Term Expires 1940
Cornelius P. Keefe	Term Expires 1941
Harry A. Morrison	Term Expires 1941
Superintendent — Wesley E. Nims	

Office Hours: Spaulding Memorial School, 3:00 to 4:00 P. M.
Mondays and Thursdays

Supervisor of Music: Hazel Johnson, Lowell.

Supervisor of Drawing: Ellen K. Harvey, Townsend Harbor.

School Physician: Dr. H. B. Boynton, West Townsend.

School Nurse: Mrs. Ethel Amiro, Townsend.

Supervisor of Attendance: Ira D. Carleton.

JANITORS

Louis Welch, West Townsend.

Lawrence Welch, West Townsend.

SCHOOL CALENDAR FOR 1938-1939

Fall term began Sept. 12, 1938	Closed Dec. 23, 1938 15 weeks
Winter term began January 3, 1939	Closed Feb. 17, 1939 7 weeks
Spring term begins Feb. 27, 1939	Closes April 21, 1939 8 weeks

Summer term begins May 1 1939

Grades I-VI close June 16, 1939 7 weeks

Grades VII-XII close June 26, 1939* 9 weeks

Fall term begins Sept. 11, 1939 Closes Dec. 22, 1939
15 weeks

Winter term begins Jan. 2, 1940 Closes Feb. 16, 1940
7 weeks

*The High School is required by law to complete 180 days, and interruptions may postpone closing date until later than June 26, 1939.

Storm signal: Three blasts of the whistle, once repeated 7:30 A. M. at West and 7:32 at Center and Harbor, no school for the day; 11:30, one session all schools; 12:30, no afternoon session.

Report of the Superintendent of Schools

To The School Committee,
Townsend, Mass.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

This, my seventh annual report as superintendent of your schools, is submitted for your consideration. You will find herewith the reports of Principal Hamilton R. Bailey, of the school physician, Dr. Henry B. Boynton, of the school nurse, Mrs. Ethel Amiro, and of the supervisor of art, Miss Ellen K. Harvey. Other supervisory reports are incorporated in mine.

BUDGET

Your permission was given me to submit to the town a budget of \$35,000.00.

Good teachers make good schools. In all school systems, good teachers are essential for the welfare of the children. Particularly are good teachers essential in our system to enable the children to benefit fully from the unusual opportunities offered them in the new building. Moreover, where all grades, one to twelve, are gathered together in one building, the safety of the children themselves and the proper use and care of the building demand really good teachers.

We have such really good teachers, and a salary restoration or increase seems to me to be due them in justice to the teachers themselves as well as for the welfare of our children, whose interests are always our special concern. When the school budget was reduced sharply in 1933, deep salary cuts were made in the cases of some teachers, and our newer teachers were elected at low starting salaries. Two years ago a five per cent increase was granted. I now re-

spectfully, but urgently, request further moderate increase of six per cent. This restoration in salaries still will leave considerable cuts in effect, but the six per cent restoration or increase I request represents to me a fair response to the request of the teachers for more adequate salaries, which they deeply feel should be provided for under the new budget. For these proposed restorations and increases to take effect in September, 1939, I suggested the addition of \$500 extra to the budget.

In this budget I also asked your permission to include \$200 extra under the items "Janitors." I believe that some salary increase is due the janitors. The present salary was set before the building was opened. In light of the experience of the six years and over of its operation, I feel some adjustment upward is in order. During the short vacations we have been forced by shortage of time to omit some cleaning which I regarded as highly desirable. The \$200 additional requested should be used for salary adjustments and for such extra service as may be required.

Both developments and uncertainties prompted me to ask for an additional \$100 for transportation to cover contingencies which were not provided for in the original budget. Changes in these three items add \$800 to the \$34,200 set as your budget, and call for an appropriation of \$35,000.

The budget includes \$2,000 for maintenance and upkeep of the Spaulding Memorial School building and grounds.

The skylight in the auditorium has never been tight. There have been repeated attempts to prevent the leaks, which have damaged the floor. No success was experienced until last summer. A trial of a new method of preventing leaks was made on a small portion of the skylight. Up to the present, no further leaking through the small, newly sealed portion of the skylight has occurred. Consequently we feel that we should completely seal with the new substance the rest of the large skylight during the next summer vacation.

Settling of the ground about the school building has produced inadequate surface drainage of the school lawns and playground. One result of this condition is that water works its way into the basement of the building. Another result is that tracking of dirt into the building from the muddy school yard injures both the appearance and substance of the asphalt tile floors.

We have an estimate of \$3,800 for painting the interior of the building, the work to be done over a three-year period. Delay of this necessary work would be unwise and wasteful. The request for \$2,000 for upkeep and maintenance in 1939 represents the considered judgment of this committee.

TEACHERS

Only one new teacher was required at the opening up of schools in September, 1938. During the summer vacation, Miss Mary Bartlett resigned to accept a position in the Bridgewater junior high school, Donald Domina, a graduate of the Fitchburg Teachers College, four-year course, with a B. S. degree in education, was elected to fill the vacancy. Mr. Domina had one year's successful teaching experience previous to his election here.

TRANSPORTATION

With the close of school last June our bus contracts ran out. New contracts for three years were made, the routes remaining nearly as they had been for some years previously with one exception. On account of the increase of pupils in the West Townsend section, it was necessary to make an extra trip as far as the brick store at the four corners in West Townsend, both morning and night.

The summary of the new bus contracts is as follows:

Route No.	Route Name	Contractor	No. of Daily Pup's	Cost Mil'ge Day
1	South Row, Old City	Charles Nelson	38 17	\$5.25

2	Harbor. 2 trips	Richard Conant	46	29	6.50
3	Townsend Hill	P. L. Broschart	16.	20	4.95
4	Bayberry Hill	Whitney Boutelle)	22	5.00
	Extra trip mornings			109	
5	Town Farm	Peter Peterson)	22	5.00
	Extra trip afternoons				
6	Dixon Hill	Willard Greer	22	25	5.00
7	Surett's	F. J. Surett	*1	8	1.00
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			232	143	\$32.70

*This child is included in both Route 2 and Route 7 and so is counted twice.

Enrollment figures vary slightly from time to time, but on the day that the January enrollment was made, 150 pupils were either walking or privately driven to school, and 231 others were being brought in by school buses. On the basis of an annual expenditure of approximately \$6,000 a year for transportation under the new contracts, the average cost per pupil transported per year is just under an even \$26.00

THE THREE R'S

Reading writing, and arithmetic are each and all receiving increased attention in the modern school. Their importance is fully appreciated, and a ceaseless search goes on for ways of teaching these subjects better and of getting better results.

Our adoption of the Functional System of Penmanship was in line with our policy of giving the pupils the benefit of the newer proven methods of instruction in these subjects.

Our schools are visited once a month by a special penmanship teacher. Some of the pupils' daily work outside the regular penmanship period is checked for carry over of the results of the penmanship period into the ordinary written

work. Individual samples of penmanship of each pupil in the grades one to eight inclusive are collected, and these are later checked, and returns are made to the school on the individual needs or accomplishments.

SPECIAL REPORTS

Ira D. Carleton, supervisor of attendance, reports he has investigated fourteen cases of absence from school during the year.

During the past year we were able to put in new music books in grades six and seven. This year we hope to renew the music books in the eighth grade.

In her report to me, the Music Supervisor, Miss Hazel L. Johnson lists the following items of interest:

"A rhythm band representing Grades I and II presented a patriotic medley at the Memorial Day Program, at which time the School Orchestra played the processional.

"On June 10, 1938 an operetta, The Gypsy Troubadour, was ably presented by thirty-six High School students. This was a very creditable activity, and was much enjoyed by the audience.

"The entire High School Chorus and the Girls' Glee Club sang at Graduation and the School Orchestra played the Graduation March.

"Carols in French, Latin and German were sung by the Girls' Glee Club and Carols by the entire High School were accompanied by the Orchestra at the Christmas Program."

Miss Hillner, the instructor in Household Arts, has twelve girls in the Vocational Household Arts Course. In

addition there are six high school girls enrolled in a sewing class. Ten eighth grade and twelve seventh grade girls are taking General Household Arts. These groups total forty girls.

In addition to her Household Arts Classes, Miss Hillner conducts physical education classes for senior and junior high school girls and manages the school lunch room.

The school lunch room continues to operate successfully. Prices of dishes remain the same as at the beginning of the service. Attempts are being made constantly to vary and to improve the dishes, and offer just as much for the money as is possible.

Now that we have a bank balance for the lunch-room large enough to enable purchases for cash and to maintain equipment, we seek only to have receipts and expenses balance.

The past year deserves special mention, for while keeping up food quality and variety, and keeping up equipment, we have been able at the same time to pay for all the gas used in preparing the school lunches.

Miss Hillner wrote in her report:

"Two ten-quart double boilers have been added to the equipment and three dozen heavy water glasses, one dozen white crockery plates and six crockery bowls have been replaced. The equipment as a whole is in perfect condition."

In the General Shop courses under Mr. Roberts, there are thirty high school and thirty-two seventh and eighth grade boys enrolled. A part of Mr. Roberts' report to me reads as follows:

"The term 'general shop' refers chiefly to a shop arrangement which provides for more than one activity to be carried on simultaneously under the direction of one teacher. It need only be mentioned

that with the coming of the junior high school, and the development of its content to meet the life needs of pupils who are sampling widely of the world educative experiences, the term 'general shop' is taking on a new meaning. It is not fundamentally analogous to a series of unit shops, but is a new concept in the industrial-arts field with special functions to perform in giving pupils educative industrial-arts experience."

Mr. Roberts has 57 junior and senior high school boys in his physical education classes. He devotes fourteen of the thirty-five periods a week to a "program of physical activities that is progressive, safe and interesting." Mr. Roberts states the two objectives of well-regulated, physical exercises are:

1. Improvement in health
2. Improvement in physical efficiency

Mr. Amiro, the teacher of commercial subjects, reports that there are now 29 seniors and juniors taking typewriting. This is the largest number for that subject we have been able to accommodate.

One new typewriter has been added during the year, and our typewriters are in excellent condition.

It is our belief that today every high school student should have the chance of one year's typewriting instruction and practice, and a second year in that subject if the first year's work justifies the continuance. Equipment, schedules, and the instructor's time limit the possibilities of realizing this belief. Nevertheless it should be the basis of our ultimate program.

CONCLUSION

In conclusion, I express my sincere appreciation to the committee, principal, teachers, supervisors, janitors, drivers and pupils for their continued courtesies and helpfulness.

Respectfully submitted,

WESLEY E. NIMS

Supt. of Schools.

Report of the High School Principal

Mr. Wesley E. Nims
Superintendent of Schools
Townsend, Mass.

Dear Sir:

I herewith submit my eleventh annual report as Principal of Townsend High School and my seventh as Principal of Spaulding Memorial School.

The enrollment by classes in the six-year high school at the opening of school in September was as follows:

Seventh Grade	29
Eighth Grade	26
Freshmen	32
Sophomores	30
Juniors	27
Seniors	24
Post Graduates	4

Total High School Enrollment	172
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This figure includes 117 pupils enrolled in the regular high school for four years, the largest recorded in the history of the school.

I believe that this increase is due in part to the opportunity given students to take Household Arts, Shop and Commercial Courses all of which are of a practical nature.

There are now 381 pupils enrolled in Spaulding Memorial School of whom 180 are boys and 201 are girls.

The only change in the faculty this year was the resignation of Miss Mary Bartlett, teacher of English and History in the lower classes of the high school. Donald E. Domina, a graduate of this school and of Fitchburg State Teachers College was elected to this position and is doing a fine piece of work.

The graduation exercises were held at the school auditorium on Thursday evening, June 23. A copy of the graduation program is appended to this report.

At these exercises a class of twenty-two received diplomas, of these, two received the Classical Diploma; four, the Scientific Diploma; six, the Commercial Diploma; and ten, the General Diploma.

The Scholarship Loyalty Achievement Award given annually to that member of the senior class who in the opinion of the faculty stands highest in these three things was received by Henry Perina.

The Washington Franklin Medal for excellence in American History awarded annually by the Massachusetts Sons of the American Revolution was received by Charles A. Hodgman, Jr. as was also a year's subscription to the **Reader's Digest**, given by the publishers to the senior with the highest scholarship for his entire course.

A comprehensive and varied program of extra-curricular activities has been successfully carried on throughout the year. Teachers in charge of these activities and students who have taken part in them have given generously of their time and energy and it is due to their efforts that these activities have been so successful.

The Third Annual Small High School Basketball Tournament was held at Spaulding Memorial School Gymnasium, March 10, 11, and 12, 1938. It was a success in every way

and plans are now being formulated for a similar tournament to be held March 9, 10, 11, 1939.

The Wachusett Basketball League season closed with a banquet at Pepperell at which trophies were awarded by Andrew Karkos, League President, to Townsend High School, winners of the boys' division, and Lunenburg High School, winners of the girls' division.

I believe it will interest you that no graduate of this school who has been certified to any school of higher education during the past ten years has left such institution because of failure in his or her work. On the other hand some of our graduates have done outstanding work in such schools and have obtained good positions.

It is a strong argument, therefore, to continue through high school when you consider the fact that practically all our graduates during this period have obtained positions, when positions were hard to find. Of this group, there is only an occasional graduate on the list of unemployed.

We should certainly feel proud of the record that these boys and girls have made and the spirit they have shown in the face of adverse business conditions.

Townsend High School is on the approved list of the New England College Entrance Board and is rated a grade A school by the State Department of Education. This, with our certification accepted by the state universities gives us the right to enter students by certificate to all except a few schools which admit only by College Entrance Board Examinations.

In order to be eligible for such certification a student must meet the certificate grade of "B" or 80 per cent in each subject and be recommended by his high school Principal.

Any boy or girl in the senior high school who does not spend an average of two hours each day in study outside of school time cannot expect to do satisfactory work.

In conclusion I want to express my appreciation to the School Committee, Superintendent of Schools. Teachers, Students, Parents and all Friends of the school for their fine co-operation and support.

Respectfully submitted,

HAMILTON R. BAILEY,
Principal.

GRADUATION EXERCISES

Class of 1938

TOWNSEND HIGH SCHOOL

Spaulding Memorial School Auditorium

Thursday Evening, June 23, 1938

At Eight o'Clock

CLASS MOTTO

"Our Only Greatness Is That We Aspire."

CLASS COLORS

Green and Silver

CLASS FLOWER

White Carnation

CLASS ROLL

Henry Anthony Perina, President
Glenn Maurice Bailey, Vice President
David Allen Aho, Secretary
Charles Arthur Hodgman, Jr., Treasurer
Florence Gertrude Ballou
Donald Corwin Battin
Richard Anson Brown
Daniel Albert Doyle, Jr.
Edward Stephen Funaiole
Frank Ernest Gilchrist, Jr.
Winnifred May Greer
Doris Apthorp Heath
Willis Elwin Keefe
Bertha K. Laakso
Joseph Wilfred Martin

Nilah Mildred Peabody
 Aili Esther Peterson
 Vera Adelaide Ross
 Oliver Herbert Smith
 Marion Trottier
 Priscilla Barbara Wharff
 Clyde Alfred Wilson

HONOR GROUP

Charles Arthur Hodgman, Jr.
 Priscilla Barbara Wharff
 Bertha K. Laakso
 Henry Anthony Perina

PROGRAM

March Magnificent	McConnell
High School Orchestra	
Invocation	Rev. Sherman Goodwin
"Challenge of Youth"	Gibb
High School Chorus	
Address of Welcome	Henry A. Perina
Class History	Priscilla B. Wharff
Class Prophecy	Glenn M. Bailey
Presentation of Class Gift	Bertha K. Laakso
"To A Wild Rose"	MacDowell
Girls' Glee Club	
Class Essay	Donald C. Battin
Class Will	Willis E. Keefe
Farewell to the Class	Charles A. Hodgman, Jr.
"Bells of the Sea"	Lamb-Solmon
High School Chorus	
Attendance Report	Wesley E. Nims
	Superintendent of Schools
Announcement of Awards	Hamilton R. Bailey
	Principal
Presentation of Diplomas	Mrs. Hattie M. Davis
	Chairman of the School Committee
Class Ode	Doris A. Heath
Class of 1938	

CLASS ODE

Words and Music by Doris A. Heath

I

Oh Townsend, we hail thee, our guide and our star,
As parting we cherish thy mem'ries afar.
We pledge thee to honor thy truth and thy rights.
As onward we press we aspire for the heights,
Ideals that from thy treasured precepts have grown.
Oh Townsend, forever and ever our own.

II

Fair Townsend, we gather together to sing.
This last time assembled may our echoes ring.
Oh Spaulding Memorial we pass from thy care
To enter the new life you've taught us all to share.
Thy efforts and guidance we praise to the sky,
Farewell, thou most honored, our own Townsend High.

 COURSE OF STUDY AT TOWNSEND HIGH SCHOOL
First Year

Classical Course	Scientific Course	Commercial Course	General Course
English I	English I	English I	English I
Latin I	Algebra I	Civics	Civics
Algebra I	Gen. Sci.	*Algebra I	*Algebra I
Civics	Civics	*Gen. Sci.	*Gen. Sci.
*Gen. Sci.	Phy. Edu.	*Latin I	*Latin I
Phy. Edu.	*Music	*Hous'd Arts I	*Hous'd Arts I
*Music	*Drawing	*Gl. Hou'd. A'ts	*Gl. Hou'd. A'ts
*Drawing		Phy. Edu.	Phy. Edu.
		*Music	*Music
		*Drawing	*Drawing
		*Manual Tr.	*Manual Tr.

Second Year

English II	English II	English II	English II
Latin II	French I	French I	*Geometry
French I	Biology	Geometry	*French I
Geometry	Geometry	Hist. to 1700	*Latin II
Phy. Edu.	*Hist. to 1700	*Latin II	*Biology
*Music	Phy. Edu.	*Biology	*Hist. to 1700
*Drawing	*Music	*Hus'd A'ts II	*Hus'd A'ts II
	*Drawing	*Gl. Hou'd. A'ts	*Gl. Hou'd. A'ts
		Phy. Edu.	Phy. Edu.
		*Music	*Music
		*Drawing	*Drawing
		Manual Tr.	Manual Tr.

Third Year

English III	English III	English III	English III
Latin III	French II	Shorthand I	2*Chemistry
French II	1Adv. Algebra	Typewriting I	1*Adv. Algebra
1Adv. Algebra	2 Chemistry	Bookkeeping I	*Latin III
*Hist. 1700 on	2*Hist. 1700 on	Phy. Edu.	*Hist. 1700 on
2*Chemistry	*Phy. Edu.	*Music	*Bookkeep'g I
Phy. Edu.	*Music	*Drawing	*Typewriting I
*Music	*Drawing		Phy. Edu.
*Drawing			*Music
			*Drawing
			*Manual Tr.

Fourth Year

English IV	English IV	English IV	English IV
U. S. History	U. S. History	Shorthand II	U. S. History
*Latin IV	*French III	Typewriting II	2*Physics
*French III	2 Physics	Bookkeep'g II	1*Ad. Math
2*Physics	2*Hist. to 1700	U. S. History	*French III
1*Ad. Math.	1*Ad. Math.	Phy. Edu.	*Latin IV
*Hist. to 1700	Phy. Edu.	*Music	*Shorthand II
Phy. Edu.	*Music	*Drawing	*Typewrit'g II
*Music	*Drawing		Phy. Edu.
*Drawing			*Bookkeep'g
			*Music
			*Drawing
			*Manual Tr.

*Elective subjects — All others required.

Four units of prepared work must be taken each year.

Sixteen units required for graduation, including four of English, one of U. S. History, and one of Civics.

Household Arts I and II count two units each.

1. Adv. Alg. alternates with Adv. Math.
Adv. Math equals Solid Geom. one-half year and Trigonometry one-half year.
2. Alternate years.

Report of the Supervisor of Art

Mr. Wesley E. Nims,
Superintendent of Schools,
Townsend, Mass.

Dear Sir:—

The Art Work in the schools of Townsend has progressed as usual with, we hope, an improvement over the preceding year. The work of the year of each grade was displayed at the Exhibition in June, and was well attended by the parents.

One theme was followed in each grade for the year.

Grade 1 Paper cutting in large and small subjects.

Grade 2 Use of crayons for coloring and drawing.

Grade 3 Study of homes, clothes and customs of different countries.

Grade 4 Design study — in detail.

Grade 5 Silhouettes.

Grade 6 Puppets.

Grade 7 Posters.

Grade 8 Perspective.

High School — Church windows — These were most successful, some being worthy of much older pupils. The windows were 8 feet by 3½ feet.

The annual Poster Contest conducted by the Massachusetts Society of Prevention of Cruelty to Animals gave the following results:

FIRST PRIZES

Wilfred Beauregard

Grade VI

Betty Taylor

High School

SECOND PRIZES

Gladys Valcourt

Grade VIII

John Coffey

Grade IV

Shirley Hotaling

Grade VI

Florence Valcourt

High School

HONORABLE MENTION

Doris Heath

High School

Arlene Morrison

Grade VI

Stewart Johnson

Grade VI

Edith Hale

Grade IV

Elaine Marshall

Grade VIII

Robert Nortonen

Grade VII

Lunenburg offered prizes for posters for their winter carnival. Mary Waitt, a sophomore, was awarded first prize. The judges for this contest were four graduates of art schools.

The craft classes made articles of card board, and paper, baskets, trays, woodblocks, crocheting, knitting, tatting and basketry.

I attended the Eastern Arts Association Convention at Hotel Statler in Boston for three days last spring, and found much helpful material and new ideas.

The work of the Townsend pupils compared very favorably with work of same grades shown at the convention, in spite of the fact that the pupils who did that work have a regular art room with all materials and media at hand and have much more time per week for lessons than do we.

Grade III deserves special mention on the variety and

amount of correlation of art to other subjects.

I think we may well say with Mr. William Ward Ankenbrand, Superintendent of Schools, Yonkers, N. Y., that, "The study of Art has a very valuable influence on the life of the child.

"The development of Art appreciation in the schools has a large part in the complete education of the child. The qualities possessed by a work of art — unity, sincerity, harmony, simplicity, idealism, beauty, stand in closer relation to the building of a perfect life than the memorization of abstract data and through the appreciation of these qualities the 'whole child' is better prepared for complete living."

I sincerely appreciate the cooperation and help of all who have helped to make the work successful.

Respectfully submitted,

ELLEN K. HARVEY.

Report of the School Physician

Mr. Wesley E. Nims,
Superintendent of Schools,
Townsend, Mass.

Dear Sir:—

I herewith submit my report as School Physician.

At the regular fall examination I found the following cases:

- 110 pupils with defective teeth
- 22 pupils with diseased tonsils.
- 15 pupils with both defective teeth and tonsils.
- 3 pupils with diseased hearts.
- 4 pupils with skin afflictions.
- 2 pupils with bad posture.
- 1 pupil with enlarged glands.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY B. BOYNTON, M. D.,
School Physician.

Report of the School Nurse

Mr. Wesley E. Nims,
Superintendent of Schools,
Townsend, Mass.

Dear Sir:

I herewith submit my report as School Nurse for the year ending 1938:

In January the hearing of 286 pupils above the second grade was tested with the audiometer. One hundred four were retested and all cleared but 41. Thirteen were given a second retest, 6 of whom did not clear. Notices were sent home to the parents advising them to consult a specialist. In December, 289 pupils were retested. One hundred thirteen of these will be examined again. The first and second grades were tested with the Sperry Watch and all cleared but 4.

Dr. Hopkins, State Dental Consultant, came in March and examined the teeth of 36 first-graders and 31 sixth-graders. Twelve mothers were present to discuss the findings and recommendations with her. Dr. Hopkins is conducting a health education program wherein the school teaches the structure of the tooth, the foods necessary to keep them in good condition, and the proper personal care, and the parent to attend to the dental care—not the school through clinics.

Five school children were immunized against diphtheria at the annual toxoid clinic conducted by Dr. Wails.

I had 16 classes in Home Hygiene and Care of the Sick for the Freshmen girls. Three of these gave a demonstration of bed-making with and without a patient and the use of the

simple sick-room appliances before the Health Committee. The girls show considerable interest and do very well in the simple procedures taught.

During the summer, three children had tonsillectomies done at the Burbank Hospital.

In September 376 children were weighed, measured and eyes examined. Twenty were found with poor vision. We are recommending that all school children needing glasses be examined by an eye specialist. It is possible through the Red Cross and the School to obtain glasses, after an examination by a specialist, for a very reasonable amount. Eight corrections were made during the year.

Three pupils were X-Rayed, and examined by Dr. W. R. Martin who has charge of the School Tuberculosis Clinics.

Dr. Boynton did 372 physical examinations. More defective teeth were found than last year but fewer diseased tonsils. The posture of many small children is poor so Dr. Boynton is advising simple setting-up exercises daily for the first six grades.

Chickenpox	40
Scarlet Fever	5
Inspections by doctors	25
First Aid Treatments	581
Inspections	1595
Home Visits	100
X-Ray	1
Orthopedic Clinic	1

Respectfully submitted,

ETHEL AMIRO, R. N.
School Nurse.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR YEAR ENDING
DECEMBER 31, 1938**AND ESTIMATE OF NEEDS FOR 1939**

	Expended 1938	Needed 1939
Superintendent, Clerk and Expense	\$1,404.81	\$1,400.00
Teachers and Supervisors	17,221.41	18,000.00
Janitors	1,800.00	2,000.00
Text Books and Supplies	1,590.03	1,600.00
Fuel	621.28	650.00
Miscellaneous Operating	1,268.65	1,350.00
Health	780.00	780.00
Transportation	6,042.40	6,100.00
New Equipment	71.52	235.00
Repairs	444.91	350.00
Upkeep and Maintenance		2,000.00
Insurance	328.56	335.00
Miscellaneous Expense	234.95	200.00
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	\$31,808.52	\$35,000.00
Balance	56.48	
Appropriation for 1938	\$31,865.00	

HOUSEHOLD ARTS SALARY ACCOUNT

Balance Jan. 1, 1938	\$2.45	
1. Transferred from Regular School Account and included in above Financial Statement	400.95	
Received from State	71.61	
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		\$475.01
Expended for one-half Household Arts Teacher's Salary, 1938		\$475.01

HOUSEHOLD ARTS EXPENSE ACCOUNT

2. Transferred from Regular School Appropriation, and included in Financial Statement above	80.00
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EXPENDED:

Groceries	39.78
Gas	29.39
Repairs to Equipment	4.05
Supplies	4.80

Total	\$78.02
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Balance	\$1.98
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RECEIPTS

Massachusetts School Fund, Part II	\$3,480.27
Massachusetts School Fund, Part I	2,698.20
Tuition	958.84
Superintendent's Salary and expense	745.61
Household Arts Expense Aid	476.19
Household Arts Salary Aid	71.61
Miscellaneous	82.75
Total	\$8,513.47

STATISTICS

For Year Ending June 23, 1938

	Elem.	Jun. High	Sen. High	Total
No. of different pupils enrolled	204	93	76	373
Aggregate atten. in days	32 609	15,076	12,833	60,518
Average daily attendance	185	84	71	340
Average membership	196	87	74	357
Av. No. days in session	176	180	180	
Teachers: Men		1	2	
Women	7	3	2	
Supervisors: Women	2			

For Year Ending Dec. 31, 1938

Population of town, census of 1935	1942
State valuation of town, 1935	\$2,472,962.00
Valuation of town, per pupil in av. membership	6,927.06
Expenditures for schools	31,880.13
Per pupil in average membership	89.30
Receipts accredited to school department	8,513.47
Net expenditures for schools from local taxation	23,366.66
Per pupil in average membership	65.45

SCHOOL CENSUS, OCTOBER 1, 1938

	Boys	Girls	Total
Persons 5-7 years of age	36	33	69
Persons 7-14 years of age	105	119	224
Persons 14-16 years of age	22	29	51
Illiterate Minors	0	0	0
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	163	181	344

ATTENDANCE DATA, TOWNSEND SCHOOLS
YEAR ENDING JUNE 23, 1938
SPAULDING MEMORIAL SCHOOL

Grades	Boys	Girls	Total	Av. Att.	Av. Memb.	P.C. of Att.
X-XII	36	40	76	71.30	74.48	95.73
IX	16	14	30	28.35	29.84	95.01
VIII	13	21	34	25.52	26.47	97.32
VII	15	14	29	29.88	30.70	96.42
VI	20	12	32	29.86	31.10	96.02
V	14	17	31	28.31	29.81	94.98
IV	13	23	36	34.31	35.73	96.03
III	14	20	34	31.49	32.97	95.54
II	11	9	20	17.46	18.57	94.05
I & II	15	6	21	18.86	20.35	92.69
I	13	17	30	24.95	27.43	90.93
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Totals	180	193	373	340.29	357.45	95.20

Teachers in Townsend for the Year 1938-1939

School	Name	Training	Exp. Yrs.	Salary	Home
High and Junior High	Hamilton R. Bailey	Bates '25	13	\$2000.00	Townsend
	Mabel R. Simmons	Bates '23	15	1300.00	Stoughton
	Raymond J. Amiro	Salem State Teachers College '36	2	1050.00	Townsend
	Pearl Russell	Tufts College '31	7	1025.00	Townsend
	Donald E. Domina	Fitchburg State Tea. College '35	1	1000.00	Townsend
	Phyllis Hillner	Framingham State Tea. College '37	1	950.00	Cambridge
	Ruth Canty	Conn. Col. for Women '31	5	1150.00	Melrose
	Richard D. Roberts	Fitchburg State Tea. College, Spec. '03	4	1050.00	Fitchburg
	Edna Wilder	Fitchburg State Tea. College '23	35	1025.00	Townsend
	Violet Faneruf	Lowell State Tea. College '23	9	1025.00	Lowell
	Thelma Wright	Fitchburg State Tea. College '35	2	900.00	Townsend
	Ruth E. Brooks	Fitchburg State Tea. College '24	14	1025.00	Ashby
	Ora W. Smith	Fitchburg State Tea. College '17	18	1025.00	Townsend
	Dorothy Riley	Lowell State Tea. College '32	3	950.00	Lowell
	Ethel M. Sullivan	Lowell State Tea. College '33	2	900.00	Lowell
Music	Hazel Johnson	Lowell State Tea. College '32	6	273.00	Lowell
Art	Ellen K. Harvey	N. Y. Sch. of Fine & Applied Arts	29	472.00	Townsend

ENROLLMENT OF TOWNSEND SCHOOLS, JANUARY, 1939

Grades	I	II	III	IV	V	VI	VII	VIII	IX	X	XI	XII	PG Total
Boys	22	17	18	13	18	16	18	14	10	16	8	9	1 180
Girls	20	18	15	25	21	15	12	10	21	13	19	11	1 201
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Totals	42	35	33	38	39	31	30	24	31	29	27	20	2 381

Report of the Trustees

OF THE

Townsend Public Library

AND OF THE

Hart Free Library Building

To the Board of Selectmen:

The Trustees present the 45th annual report for the year ending December 31, 1938. At the annual Town Meeting in March Mr. R. G. Fessenden was re-elected a Trustee for three years.

Books have been given to the Library by the following friends:

Adams, Dr. and Mrs. M. W.	4 volumes
Adams, Mrs. R. B. and Miss Mary Adams in memory of Mr. R. B. Adams	4 volumes
American Tobacco Company	1 volume
Ball, Mr. W. E.	2 volumes
Baumis, Mrs. F. J.	39 volumes
Boynton, Dr. and Mrs. H. B.	1 volume
Bruce, Mrs. W. L., Littleton, Mass.	1 volume
Burke, Clair	3 volumes
Commonwealth of Massachusetts	6 volumes
Copeland, Miss Sarah L.	10 volumes
Doyle, Mr. Richard, Maçon, N. H.	1 volume
Eastman, Miss A. Bessie and Harvey, Mr. T. James	1 volume
Ely, Dr. and Mrs. R. S.	11 volumes
Fessenden Mrs. R. G.	2 volumes
Flarity, Mr. T. E.	23 volumes

A Friend	22 volumes
Hamburg American Line	1 volume
Hansen, Miss Gay, Glenside, Pa.	1 volume
Lancey, Miss Eleanor	4 volumes
O'Neill Publishers Limited, Dublin, Ireland	1 volume
Richards, Mrs. Charles	2 volumes
Rockwood, Mr. F. E.	1 volume
Spalter, Mrs. F. B., Winchendon, Mass.	2 volumes
Vallette, Mrs. Vincent	24 volumes
Waitt, Mr. Ralph J.	9 volumes
Wood, Mrs. F. W.	1 volume

Thirty periodicals may be found on our reading tables.
the following have been given:

American Girl	Mrs. R. G. Fessenden
Boys' Life	American Legion Aux. Unit 199
Cooperator	F. N. Boutelle
Du Pont Magazine	Publishers
Fortune	Dr. R. S. Ely
Herald of Holiness	Publishers
National Grange Monthly	T. E. Flarity
Our Dumb Animals	Publishers
Specialty Salesman	Publishers
The Townsend Times	Publishers

The Library subscribes for

American Boy
 American Home
 American Magazine
 Atlantic Monthly
 Better Homes and Gardens
 Child Life
 Colliers
 Country Home
 Good Housekeeping
 Harper's Monthly
 Ladies Home Journal

Life
McCalls
National Geographic Magazine
Nature Magazine
Popular Mechanics
Reader's Digest
Saturday Evening Post
Time
Woman's Home Companion

Of the 177 volumes given to the library, 62 were new books, the used volumes in good condition.

Henry Perina of Townsend Harbor presented the library an American Air Mail Cachet as a souvenir of the twentieth anniversary of the first Air Mail flight in the United States. With the Cachet was a descriptive letter of Townsend Harbor's part in the great event.

An oil painting of "Oyster Pond River" has been loaned to the library by the Townsend Woman's Club. This painting was presented to the Club Art department, Mrs. Frank Miller, chairman, by the State Federation, 1938.

Owing to the intelligent direction of the teachers in the High and Junior High schools a much greater use of our reference books has become a part of the pupils education.

Our registered borrowers now number 958, within 13 of being one half of the town's population. Our circulation has increased, this means greater wear on the books and soon many useful books will be in the worn-out class, many of which should be replaced by new ones.

The spirit of cooperation maintained throughout the past year by our patrons has given value and dignity to our Library's place in this community. We render grateful thanks for all gifts and for the considerate courtesy shown by all who have used our library.

Respectfully submitted,

Evelyn L. Warren, Librarian.

45TH ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1938

Name of Library	Townsend Public Library
Town: Townsend	State of Massachusetts
Name of Librarian	(Mrs.) Evelyn L. Warren
Name of Assistant Librarian	(Mrs.) Hattie M. Davis
Date of founding	1858 as an Agricultural Library
In 1882 made a free Town Library	
Assessed valuation of the town in 1938	\$2,134,983
Terms of use	Free for reference and reading
Number of days open during the year	205
Number of hours open each week	20
Number of periodicals currently received	30

Circulation

For the year	15,589
Circulation per borrower	16 plus
Circulation per capita	8 plus
Fiction circulated	11 694
Non-Fiction circulated	3,895
Population served (1935 census)	1942

Accessions

Volumes in the library December 31, 1938	13,824
Withdrawn during the year	14
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	13,810
Added by purchase	193
Added by gift	177
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Total number of volumes in the library December 31, 1938	14,180

Recommendations for the ensuing year

Insurance	\$131.47
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Librarian's salary	600.00
Assistant's salary	16.00
Janitor's salary	240.00
Books	142.53
Periodicals	45.00
Binding	50.00
All other incidentals and supplies	50.00
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	\$1275.00

There will be available for carrying out these recommendations the unappropriated refunded dog licenses of \$451.29 leaving a balance for the town to appropriate of \$823.71.

Respectfully submitted,

Carl B. Willard, Chairman

Evelyn L. Warren, Clerk

Robert G. Fessenden

Board of Trustees.

Report of Chief of Police

To the Board of Selectmen,
Townsend, Mass.

Gentlemen:

I wish to submit the following report of arrests made and complaints answered for the year ending Dec. 31, 1938.

Court cases

Larceny	1
Lewd cohabitation	2
Disturbing the peace	3
Driving under the influence	3
Drunkenness	1
Passing worthless checks	1
Driving so as to endanger	1
Illegal registration	1
Speeding	1
Total	14

Superior Court cases

Driving so as to endanger	1
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Complaints answered

Larceny	11
Breaking and entering and larceny	1
Breaking and entering	5
Attempted larceny	1
Assault	2
Lewd and lascivious persons	2
Drunkenness	11

Drunk and disturbing the peace	7
Disturbing the peace	9
Lewd persons	3
Drunken driving	7
Threatening letters	1
Threats of bodily harm	1
Worthless checks	2
Disturbances	7
Destruction of property	6
Missing persons	1
Unfortunates put up for the night	2
Stolen bicycles recovered	4
Stolen cars left in Townsend	7
Stolen cars recovered	4
Cars illegally registered	2
Persons hit by automobiles	1
Illegal use of firearms	1
Committed to House of Correction at Billerica	4
Committed to House of Correction at Cambridge	1
Committed to State Hospital at Worcester	1
Committed to State Hospital at Gardner	3
Juvenile complaints	4
Malicious mischief	3
Stubborn children	2
Arrests made for out of town police	2
Summonses served for out of town police	7
Assisting out of town police	22
Investigating for Welfare Board	1
Assisting Welfare Board	1
Taken to Mass. General Hospital	1
Taken to Burbank Hospital	1
Escaped from Gardner State Hospital	1
Dogs hit by cars	4

Fires	19	
Stray cattle	1	
Automobiles Licenses suspended	7	
Right to operate automobiles suspended	3	
Automobile registrations revoked	1	
Automobile licenses reinstated	4	
Transfers of ownership of automobiles	50	
Tickets for improper equipment of automobiles	67	
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Total number of complaints answered		308
Total number of miles paid for		2344

Respectfully submitted,

Howard B. Morse,

Chief of Police.

Report of the Dog Officer

To the Board of Selectmen
Townsend, Mass.

Gentlemen:

Following is my report for the year ending Dec 31, 1938.

Stray dogs	26	
Dogs destroyed	14	
Dogs killed by cars	23	
Dogs restrained	8	
Dogs sold and paid to Treasurer	1	\$3.00
Taxes collected and paid Town Clerk		\$74.00
Complaints	15	
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Total complaints	87	\$77.00

A great number of dogs were killed by cars on Brookline Street this year

Please pay your dog taxes to the Town Clerk early and save yourself trouble and expense.

Respectfully submitted,

Howard L. Doran

Dog Officer, Town of Townsend

Report of the Fire Department

To the Board of Selectmen:

I herewith submit the following report for the year ending Dec. 31, 1938:

Total number of calls to extinguish fires during the year was 65, as follows:

Chimney fires	29
Building fires	13
Brush and Grass fires	18
Electric water pump	1
Oil burners	3
Auto fire	1
Total	<hr/> 65

Value of property endangered	\$62,100.00
Loss on Property	7,604.87
Insurance paid	6,419.87

A new Fitzhenry-Guptill Forest Fire Pump has been purchased to replace the old one, at the Harbor. This pump had been in service for eleven years and was completely worn out.

We also have purchased 1200 ft. of 2½ inch hose, and 1,000 ft. of Forest Fire Hose, which was badly needed as there has not been any purchased for 3 years.

New water holes have been constructed in outlying districts by the WPA Project, which will greatly aid in fighting fires which might occur in areas outside our water system.

All apparatus is in A-No. 1 condition in the three companies.

In anticipation of a great fire hazard next Spring, due to fallen timber during the hurricane of Sept. 21st, we would ask for full cooperation of every citizen of the town, that they use all due precaution about setting fires under unfavorable conditions and only when a permit from the Fire Warden is granted.

The following is the roster of the department:

BOARD OF ENGINEERS

Harry C. Felch, Chief

Robert G. Fessenden, Clerk

Anthony Perina

Edward Hale

Louis Welch

Leon Marshall

Benjamin Poor

SQUANICOOK CO. NO. 1

Herbert Wilson, Foreman

Walter Hamel, First Asst. Foreman

Joseph R. Arlin, Steward

Ira D. Carleton, Second Asst., Clerk and treas.

Mark Colby

Charles Wright

Clinton Merrill

Raymond Floyd

George V. Powell

Emerson Chace

John B. Robichaud

Maurice Hamel

Wallace Arlin

Clarence Jodrey

ECLIPSE ENGINE CO. NO. 2

George S. Shepherd, Foreman

Ralph E. Powers, First Asst. Foreman

Frank Farnsworth, Second Asst. Foreman

Daniel B. Ormsby, Treas.

Warren Elliott, Clerk

Richard D. Rusk, Steward

Lawrence Welch
David Berard
Amos Jodrey
Edward W. Tumber

Harvey Jodrey
Charles Hodgman
William Robbins
William P. Saunders

HARBOR HOSE CO. NO. 3

Louis Josse'lyn, Foreman
Charles A. Conners, First Asst. Foreman
Charles Liddell, Clerk and Treas.
Charles Neill
Ernest Hamel, Steward

Respectfully submitted,

Harry C. Felch

Chief of the Fire Department

Report of the Inspector of Animals

The annual inspection of barns and cattle has been completed. Cattle are kept on 88 premises; total number of cows, 213, young stock 102, 8 bulls, 2 oxen, 6 swine, 1 sheep and 3 goats.

There were no reactors to the T. B. test during the year.

Respectfully submitted,

Lyman A. Cook

Report of Slaughtering

Killed by Albert Funaiole: 27 cows, 86 calves, 75 pigs and 1 goat.

Respectfully submitted,

Lyman A. Cook

Report of the Town Nurse

Selectmen of Townsend
Townsend, Mass.

Dear Sirs:

I herewith submit my report as Town Nurse for the year 1938.

The Health Committee met monthly with the exception of July and August. Mothers were invited to attend our meetings at which we had speakers.

February — Miss Catherine Donovan, Consulting Nurse, State Department, Public Health — Films on baby care.

March — Miss Elizabeth Reynolds, Advisory Nurse, Nashoba Health Unit — Use of Audiometer Hearing Tests.

April — Miss Sophie Nelson, Consulting Nurse, John Hancock Insurance Co. — Joint Meeting of Committees and Boards of Health.

May — Miss Gladys Crain, State Department of Health — Public Health Aspects of Venereal Disease.

June — Miss Dorothea Nichol, Nutritionist, State Department — Beefsteak on your Budget.

October — Dr. Feemster, State Director of Communicable Diseases — Communicable Diseases.

November — Mr. Henry Smith, Milk Sanitary Inspector, Nashoba Health Unit — Films on Dairying, Bacteria, etc.

I am deeply indebted to the Health Committee for their time and splendid cooperation.

Five Well-Child Conferences were conducted by Dr. Wails, Director of the Nashoba Health Unit. Seventeen babies made 24 visits, 26 pre-schoolers with 35 visits. This service is offered free and affords the mothers an excellent opportunity to have their children checked up periodically and to receive expert advice on their care and development. Early recognition and correction of defects and early immunizations are urged.

Dr. Wails conducted the annual toxoid clinics in May. Immunization against diphtheria is offered free and more parents with children between 6 months and 5 years are bringing them in for this protection. Forty were done. 9 under one year, 26 between one and four, 11, five years and over.

In June. 29 children were vaccinated under the direction of the Board of Health.

Nineteen visits to the tuberculosis clinics were made, 6 by new patients. Clinics are the fourth Wednesday of each month in Ayer. Examinations and X-rays are done by the doctors and technicians of the Middlesex County Sanatorium.

	New	Visits
Morbidity	52	327
Antepartum	13	55
Pre-Delivery		6
Deliveries	8	
Post Partum	11	102
New born	9	90
Infants	36	248
Preschool	40	85
Hospital		6
Cancer Clinic		3
X-ray		2

Respectfully submitted,

Ethel Amiro, R. N.

Town Nurse

Report of Old Age Assistance

January 1, 1938 there were 68 applicants. February, three were added. In March one was lost by death and one new applicant accepted. April we accepted one more. May brought no change in the case load. In June one left town. July we lost two by death, accepted two by application. Three new cases were accepted in August, one leaving town. September we lost one by death and gained one by application. October one left town, one new applicant accepted. In Nov. one was added. December one new applicant was added, making at the close of the year 75 active cases. As you will note there is a continual change in the case load, but not a substantial gain for the year. There was a total expenditure of \$23,935.18.

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

Appropriation	\$12,743.68	
Transfer from Federal Administration	100.00	
Receipts from Federal Grant	11,091.50	
	<hr/>	\$23,935.18
Payroll	\$23,087.50	
Medical	241.50	
Burial	300.00	
Reimbursement to State & Federal Gov.	103.34	
Town of Groton	60.00	
Town of Athol	106.84	
City of Fitchburg	36.00	
	<hr/>	\$23,935.18

REIMBURSEMENTS

From the State 1938 Account	\$7,123.52
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From the State for previous years	2,719.72	
Federal Government	11,091.50	
Federal Government for Administration	369.68	
City of Fitchburg	66.33	
City of Leominster	118.75	
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		\$21,489.50

FEDERAL OLD AGE ADMINISTRATION

Receipts	\$411.71
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Expenditures:

Lilla Seaver, Agent	170.00	
Clare Creighton, Sec.	60.00	
H. R. Thatcher, Third member	36.00	
Stationery & Forms	5.69	
Traveling of Agent	13.32	
Earle Bagley, Legal Services	10.00	
Transfer	100.00	
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		\$395.01

Balance	16.70
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Lilla Seaver
 Clare F. Creighton
 Hugh R. Thatcher

Board of Old Age Assistance

Report of the Board of Public Welfare

To the Citizens of the
Town of Townsend

Our case load for the year 1938 was much greater than in 1937 due to unemployment or part time employment. January and February was exceptionally great as over one-fourth of the \$4,000.00 appropriation of March 8th had already been spent. As our funds were being exhausted too quickly, our board started in May asking all receiving relief to work their relief out on town property, such as the Common, Infirmary, Center and West Cemeteries from which we received the cooperation of about 75% of the families being assisted. People who were not willing to work, or put up their cars while on relief, were not aided. Our Common in the center was an example of this work. Outside relief has been continuous and the property owners of this town could help by being a little more careful who they rent houses to, especially when families move in who are on relief or already to ask for it as soon as they get here just because of the cheaper rents. In Aug. after WPA became so steady our relief decreased. The hurricane in September made WPA work much greater than we had anticipated for the winter months. Up to date we have relief cases that can not be done away with.

At the Town Infirmary conditions have changed with the death of the women inmates leaving only three men at present. Our income decreased this year due to the fact that we have received no board as we did last year. The appropriation would have been sufficient this year if it were not that it was necessary to finance the extra care and burials of two inmates who passed away. The general running conditions of the home are still improving and the farm

is in an excellent condition.

The board has tried to use sound and sensible reasoning in the relief question, but each year it becomes more of a habit with some families rather than a necessity, but we have always tried to keep in mind it is the town of Townsend that stands the expense.

Total value of Surplus Commodities distributed in the town of Townsend during the year 1938 from the Surplus Commodities Division of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts or as it is so-called "Federal Food" amounted to

Food and Clothing	\$1,429.61
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SUMMARY OF WELFARE ACCOUNTS

(For Details see Accountant's Report)

RELIEF

Appropriation and Transfer from Reserve	\$5,710.13
Local relief payments	2,926.03
Outside relief and temporary aid	1,534.34
Mothers' Aid	1,224.00
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	5,684.37
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Balance Unexpended	25.76
(Relief Reimbursements Amounted to \$1 256.18)	

FEDERAL AID FOR DEPENDENT CHILDREN

Receipts from Federal Grant	513.28
Cash payments	511.00
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Balance Unexpended	2.28

SOLDIERS' RELIEF

Appropriation and Transfer from Reserve	233.84
Payments for Relief	233.84

INFIRMARY

Appropriation and Transfer from Reserve	2776.30
Payments	2776.30
(Infirmary Receipts Amounted to \$633.07)	

AMANDA E. DWIGHT FUND FOR POOR

Balance and Interest for year	553.06
Payments	174.55
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Balance December 31, 1938	378.51

SPAULDING and WILSON FUNDS FOR POOR

Balance and Interest for Year	41.15
Payments	32.00
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Balance December 31, 1938	9.15

SALARIES

Appropriation	500.00
Payments	500.00

EXPENSE

Appropriation	100.00
Payments	93.20
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Balance December 31, 1938	6.80

Respectfully submitted,

Clare F. Creighton

Lilla Seaver

F. N. Boutelle

Board of Public Welfare

Report of Tax Collector

To the Board of Selectmen
Town of Townsend

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit my report as Tax Collector for the
Town of Townsend for the year ending Dec. 31, 1938:

TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS, LEVY OF 1936

REAL ESTATE and PERSONAL TAX ACCOUNT:

Jan. 1, 1938 Uncollected	12,232.08	
Adjustment	18.50	
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	12,250.58	
Over Collected	41.19	
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	12,291.77	
Collected and paid Treasurer		11,969.20
Abatements		255.22
Tax Titles		67.35
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		12,291.77

INTEREST ACCOUNT:

Collected and Paid Treasurer	969.55
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EXCISE TAX ACCOUNT:

January 1, 1938 Uncollected	24.01
Over Collected	2.92
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	26.93

Collected and paid Treasurer	24.93
Uncollected	2.00
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	26.93

INTEREST ACCOUNT:

Collected and Paid Treasurer	.47
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TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS, LEVY OF 1937

POLL TAX ACCOUNT:

Jan. 1, 1938 Uncollected	4.00	
Collected and paid Treasurer		2.00
Uncollected		2.00
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		4.00

EXCISE TAX ACCOUNT:

Jan. 1, 1938 Uncollected	826.33	
Commitment	2.00	
Refund	.14	
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	828.47	
Collected and Paid Treasurer		626.66
Abatements		2.65
Uncollected		199.16
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		828.47

INTEREST ACCOUNT:

Collected and Paid Treasurer	2.99
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REAL ESTATE and PERSONAL TAX ACCOUNT:

Uncollected	27,165.06	
Collected		12,056.04

Abatements	16.78
Subsequent Taxes	1,670.93
Uncollected	13,421.31
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	27,165.06

INTEREST ACCOUNT:

Interest Collected and Paid Treasurer	360.74
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TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS, LEVY OF 1938

REAL ESTATE and PERSONAL TAX ACCOUNT:

Commitment	72,042.21	
Collected, not committed	.20	
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	72,042.41	
Collected and Paid Treasurer		44,402.83
Abatements		366.57
Subsequent Taxes		808.19
Uncollected		26,464.82
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		72,042.41

INTEREST ACCOUNT:

Collected and Paid Treasurer	20.13
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EXCISE TAX ACCOUNT:

Commitment	3,301.64	
Refund	47.51	
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	3,349.15	
Collected		3,044.76
Abatements		91.92
Refunds		47.51
Uncollected		164.96
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		3,349.15

POLL TAX ACCOUNT:

Commitment	1,268.00	
Collected and Paid Treasurer		1,192.00
Abatements		48.00
Uncollected		28.00
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		1,268.00

INTEREST ACCOUNT:

Collected and Paid Treasurer	.70
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Respectfully submitted,

Clement J. Altmiller

Collector of Taxes

Report of the Treasurer

Balance, January 1, 1938	\$ 29,094.63
Receipts, Jan. 1 to Dec. 31, 1938	226,613.01
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	255,707.64

Disbursements	\$239,840.01
Balance, December 31, 1938	15,867.63
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	255,707.64

TOWNSEND WATER WORKS Sinking Fund Account

	Balance Jan. 1, 1938	Accrued Interest	Total	Withd'als
Townsend Nat. Bank	\$ 65.47	\$0.00	\$ 65.47	\$ 65.47
Winchendon				
Savings Bank	1,792.74	26.88	1,819.62	1,819.62
Chelsea Savings Bank	1,025.15	15.38	1,040.53	1,040.53
Fitchburg Sav'gs Bank	4,109.47	25.68	4,135.15	4,135.15
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Totals	6,992.83	67.94	7,060.77	7,060.77

Paid on Water Indebtedness:

To the National Shawmut Bank	
of Boston	3,500.00
The First National Bank of Boston	3,560.77
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	7,060.77
Balance, December 31, 1938	0.00
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	7,060.77

TRUST FUNDS ARE DEPOSITED AS FOLLOWS
Cemetery Perpetual Care:

Chelsea Savings Bank	\$5 000.00
Gardner Savings Bank	5,000.00
Townsend National Bank	5,000.00
Worcester North Savings Institution	5,000.00
Winchendon Savings Bank	3,875.00
Fitchburg Savings Bank	4,979.00
New York City Bond	550.00

Total Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds \$29,404.00

Other Cemetery Funds:

Joel Giles General Care Fund,	
Winchendon Savings Bank	\$2,000.00
James N. Tucker Fund	
Winchendon Savings Bank	500.00
Ai Richards Floral Fund	
Townsend National Bank	100.00
Annis M. Gilson Floral Fund	
Townsend National Bank	150.00
Henry A. Miner Floral Fund	
Worcester North Savings Institution	100.00
Gustav Anderson Floral Fund	
Townsend National Bank	100.00

2,950.00

Worthy Poor Funds:

Susan B. Wilson Fund	
Franklin Savings Bank	\$334.00
Harriet Spaulding Fund	
North Middlesex Savings Bank	300.00
Abram S. French Fund	
Worcester North Savings Inst.	5,000.00

5,634.00

Library:

Charles Emery Fund	\$ 500.00	
West Townsend Reading Room Fund	5,000.00	
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Worcester North Savings Inst.		5,500.00

School:

Maria L. Lane Fund, Fitchburg Savings Bank		
Fitchburg Savings Bank		1,511.83

John Birney Blood Monument Fund:

Winchendon Savings Bank	\$1,000.00	
Worcester North Savings Inst.	2 000.00	
North Middlesex Savings Bank	2,055.85	
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		5,055.85
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Funds in Custody of the Town Treasurer		\$50,055.68

Amanda E. Dwight Funds:

In Custody of The New England Trust Co.	\$35,050.63	
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Total Trust Funds,		\$85,106.31

Respectfully submitted,

William H. Millington

Town Treasurer

Report of Town Accountant

To the Board of Selectmen of Townsend:

I submit the following report for the year ending December 31, 1938, classified according to the books of the Division of Accounts of the Commonwealth:

RECEIPTS

TAXES

From the Tax Collector

Levy of 1938, property	\$44,403.03	
Levy of 1938, polls	1,192.00	
Levy of 1937, property and polls	12,058.04	
Levy of 1936, property	11,969.20	
	<hr/>	\$69,622.27
M. V. Excise tax, 1938	3,044.76	
M. V. Excise tax, previous years	651.59	
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From the Commonwealth

Income tax, state valuation	5,139.00	
Income tax, educational purposes	2,698.20	
Income tax, Chapter 362, Acts of 1936	347.25	
Corporation tax, business	5,988.71	
Corporation tax, public service	326.88	
Loss of taxes, state owned land	678.32	
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 LICENSES, PERMITS AND FINES

Local licenses

Automobile dealer	10.00
Beano games	10.00
Butchers	5.00
Gasoline registrations	9.00
Inn Holder	5.00
Hackney	2.00
Junk	15.00
Victuallers	3.00

 59.00

Dog Licenses collected for County by Town Clerk	577.80
Nashoba Health District, milk licenses	4.50
From the state, pedlers' licenses	36.00
No. Middlesex District Court for fines	4.05

DEPARTMENTAL

General Government

Memorial Hall, rent	145.55
Seminary Hall, rent	24.00

 169.55
Protection

Sealer of Weights and Measures, fees	63.63
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Health and Sanitation

Town Nurse fees and collections	82.75
Town Nurse, Metropolitan Life Ins. Co	43.00
State subsidy, Health Department	45.71
Sale of dog by Dog Officer	3.00

 174.46

Highways

Damage to fence	20.00
From the County on several roads	2,787.35
From the State:	
On several roads	14,509.25
Special Flood damage	7,000.00
Chapter 500, Acts of 1938	1,900.00
Credits on Road Machinery Fund	393.55

26,610.15

Public Welfare

RELIEF reimbursements:

From the State for temporary aid	395.32
Fed. Emergency relief of 1934	15.80
From individuals	15.00
From Town of Peterborough	49.24
From Town of Pepperell	216.00
From Town of Gardner	300.84
From Town of Clarksburg	35.04
From City of Fitchburg	228.94

1,256.18

Federal Government Aid to
Dependent Children

404.00

Income from Trust Funds for Poor

Amanda E. Dwight fund	364.69
Spaulding and Wilson funds	15.02

379.71

Infirmary receipts:

Milk and cream	333.46
Eggs	153.05
Poultry	45.00

Calf	8.00
Vegetables	15.31
Telephone	13.75
Rent of cottage	64.50

633.07

Old Age Assistance Reimbursements

From the State, 1938 account	7,123.52
From the State, previous years	2,719.72
From the Federal Government	11,091.50
Fed. Gov. for administration exp.	369.68
From other cities and towns	185.08

21,489.50

Soldiers' Benefits

State aid for veterans' widows	240.00
Veterans' exemptions from the state	3.60

243.60

Schools

Town of Mason, tuition	857.89
Rent light, telephone, miscellaneous	82.75
From the State and Federal Government:	
Massachusetts School Fund	3,480.27
Superintendent's salary and expense	745.61
Aid for vocational education	506.67
Household Arts salary account	71.61
Household Arts special exp. account	12.00
Tuition of State Wards	100.95

5,857.75

(Also \$2,698.20 previously listed under State
Income Tax for educational purposes.)

Library

Dog licenses refunded by County	318.48
Fines on books, etc.	59.14
Rent of Historical Room	2.00
Refund on books	.96
Income, Amanda E. Dwight Fund	480.16
Income, Charles Emery Fund	12.52

873.26

Unclassified

Tax titles redeemed	3,119.23
Other income from Trust Funds:	
Dwight Entertainment fund	391.06
Blood Monument fund	131.38
Homer West T. Reading Room fund	31.25
Abram French fund	31.25
Maria Lane School fund	25.00

609.94

Cemeteries

Collections for annual care	260.85
Foundations	70.25
Sale of markers	5.75
Sale of engine	3.50
Sale of lots and graves	14.00
Income from Trust Funds for cemeteries:	
Perpetual care of lots fund	751.42
Amanda E. Dwight fund	265.24
Joel Giles general care fund	60.00
James H. Tucker fund	15.00
Henry Miner floral fund	2.52
Annice M. Gilson floral fund	3.00
Ai Richards floral fund	2.00
Gustavus Anderson floral fund	2.00

1,455.53

Water Department

Rentals	5,323.99	
Hydrants	3,400.00	
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		8,723.99

Interest

On deferred taxes	1,354.93	
On tax title redemptions	739.05	
State refund, tax title loan interest	20.70	
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		2,114.68

Municipal Indebtedness

Anticipation highway reimbursement	10,000.00	
In anticipation of taxes	40,000.00	
Loan on tax titles, maintenance exp.	3,000.00	
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		53,000.00

Trust Funds

For cemetery perpetual care of lots	650.00	
Partial payments, Est. Martha E. Homer:		
For W. T. Reading Room	5,000.00	
For Abram French Fund	5,000.00	
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		10,650.00

Total receipts for the year	<hr/>	\$227,006.56
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Transfers (to be deducted, not cash items)

Highway credits, Road Machinery Fund		393.55
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Total cash receipts for the year	<hr/>	\$226,613.01
Cash on hand, January 1, 1938		29,094.63

GRAND TOTAL	<hr/>	\$255,707.64
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PAYMENTS
GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Moderator

Salary	10.00
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Selectmen

Salaries:

Earle S. Bagley, Chairman	250.00
Willard A. Greer	150.00
Hollis Hathaway	150.00

550.00

Expense:

Posting town warrants	12.00
Notices of meetings	11.00
Selectmen's Association dues	6.00
Services and traveling:	
E. S. Bagley	44.38
Hollis Hathaway	3.00
G. S. Copeland	7.00

83.38

Treasurer

Salary	400.00
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Expense:

Surety bond	55.00
Envelopes and postage	103.28
Supplies	14.74
Check Writer	45.00
Safety deposit box	3.30
Recording deeds	18.29

239.61

Tax Collector

Salary		500.00
Expense:		
Surety bond	110.00	
Deputy Collector's bond	10.00	
Printing bills, demands, etc.	51.75	
Postage	80.96	
Books, forms and supplies	24.79	
Advertising delinquent taxes	44.50	
To Collector for preparing deeds	18.00	
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		340.00

Accountant

Salary		500.00
Expense:		
Postage	6.00	
Supplies and files	12.00	
Traveling	8.00	
Annual schedules to State	12.00	
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		38.00

Town Clerk

Salary		100.00
Expense:		
Surety bond	5.00	
Postage	18.00	
Books, forms and files	19.05	
Printing dog notices	3.50	
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		45.55

Assessors

Walter D. Farrar, Chairman	137.84
Benjamin P. Poor, Clerk	187.60

Joseph R. Arlin	109.20
Supplies and postage	22.83
Abstracts from Cambridge	17.60

475.07

Town Counsel

Services at Worcester Court	20.80
Securing easements for water holes	4.00
2 foreclosures	50.00

74.80

Election and Registration

Election officers, services	109.08
Registrars, services	64.82
1000 Town Meeting ballots	28.00
50 check lists, men	14.00
50 check lists, women	14.00
Registrars canvassing books and forms	37.80
File for same	9.50
Printing notices and postage	23.75

300.95

Certifying Town Notes

7 Revenue notes	14.00
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Works Progress Administration Expense

Local administration:

E. S. Bagley, Services as Sponsor	93.87
Lilla M. Seaver	55.00
Hollis Hathaway	13.00

Supervisors and use of cars:

Leon S. Marshall	153.00
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James H. Sullivan	38.95
William W. Copeland	24.00

Materials and other expense:

Tools, equipment and repairs	155.03
New centrifugal pump and hose	110.00
Rental of air compressor	57.00
Cement	102.93
Brick	58.00
Grout	62.00
Creosote and supplies, moth propect	56.97
Explosives	37.86
Hemlock	18.87
Posts	10.35
Miscellaneous	9.56

1,056.39
Memorial Hall

Janitor	480.00
Insurance	208.65
Coal	138.00
Wood	57.00
Light	88.73
Water rent	20.00
Supplies and trucking	23.51
Tuning pianos	9.00
Song Writers' license	10.00
General repairs	6.88
Special repairs:	
G. A. R. Room, walls and ceiling	54.25
Flashing on roof	25.00
Installing bubbler, Selectmen's room	64.48
Hurricane damage to windows, and	68.75
Rebuilding chimney	22.50

1,276.75

PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY**Police Department**

Howard B. Morse, salary as Chief	18.76
Services and expense:	
Howard B. Morse	378.90
Arthur A. Koykka	86.05
Howard B. Doran	140.06
Richard A. Keefe	84.12
Ira D. Carleton	118.33
Hurricane traffic duty	53.19
Traffic duty at school	91.50
Police matron	10.00
Printing, stationery and tags	14.50
Book	2.79
Firearms permit	.50
Telephones	93.76
Miscellaneous	2.20

1,094.66**Fire Department**

Salaries:

Chief	50.00
3 Firemen at \$60.00	180.00
30 Firemen at \$20.00	600.00
Salaries held for G. L. Whitcomb Co.,	305.00

1,135.00

Expense:

Services of firemen	169.00
Insurance	68.99
Fuel	345.45
Light	36.62
Water	60.00
Telephones	36.51
Gasoline, oil and repairs	118.92

Supplies and postage	51.39	
Packing and testing pumps	9.63	
Repairs to roofs, Harbor and Center	13.00	
Repairs, West T. Engine House	35.13	
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		944.64

Forest Fires

Services of men at fires	560.67	
Fessenden & Cos. for men	100.62	
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		661.29

Forest Fire Pump

Fitzhenry-Guptill Co. for new pump	609.75
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Additional Equipment, Balance of 1937,

Transferred by vote to town to W.P.A. exp.	.65
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Water Holes, Balance of 1937

Leon S. Marshall, use of car	34.00	
Cement, gasoline, oil, hemlock	8.33	
Trucking:		
Lauri Mattila	66.87	
Roy Elliott	47.50	
John Robichaud	34.38	
Omar Marquis	7.50	
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		198.58

(Project finished on W.P.A. Expense Account)

Moth Suppression

William W. Copeland, Supt.	151.60
Chester Hale	100.00
Miles Upham	135.20

Eneas Morgan	16.00
Russell Hayward	14.40
All other, less than \$10.00	46.00
Use of truck	73.00
Gasoline and oil	5.56
Repairs and overhauling pump	42.55
Arsenate of lead	114.00

698.31

Tree Warden

William W. Copeland	25.00
Robert Dudley	25.00
Miles Upham	4.00
Edward Eastman	4.00
Bartlett Tree Expert Co.	36.10
Rope	3.85

97.95

Elm Tree Pruning

William W. Copeland	36.00
Robert Dudley	36.00
Chester Hale	4.00
Miles Upham	4.00
Expert Tree Service	20.00

100.00

Sealer of Weights and Measures

Salary of Sealer	75.00
Equipment	5.72
Insurance	7.36

88.08

HEALTH AND SANITATION

Board of Health

Middlesex Co. Tuberculosis Sanatorium	142.50	
Dr. Richard S. Ely. services	35.00	
Lester Spofford, investigating nuisances	10.00	
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Board of Health, 1937 Account

Middlesex Co. Tuberculosis Sanatorium	189.00
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Nashoba Health District

Townsend's share of 1938 expense	680.00
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Town Nurse

(Town appropriation	\$800.00)	
(Contributed by school	700.00)	
Salary and use of car	1,400.00	
Harry L. Scott, Inc., nursing supplies	58.98	
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Inspection of Meat and Animals

Lyman A. Cook, services and expense	55.00
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Dog Officer

To Howard B. Doran for		
Investigation, strays and nuisances	23.04	
Custody, killing and disposal	14.60	
Printing and notices to dog owners	6.00	
Investigation, untaxed dogs	1.00	
	<hr/>	44.64

Vital Statistics

Physicians, 3 birth returns	.75
Ernest G. Wilson. death returns	4.50
Town Clerk, returns to State	62.00

 67.25
Town Dump

Patrick Burns	70.40
Wm. T. MacMaster	55.90
Putting out fire	7.00

 133.30
HIGHWAYS

(For details of labor and trucking see Highway
Superintendent's Report.)

Road Repairs, State Supervision, Chapter 81

Town paying	\$5,250.00
State paying	10,500.00
Labor	6,797.25
Trucks	3,616.35
Asphalt	3,754.22
Tarmac	182.00
Sand	295.69
Gravel	724.56
Brick	29.00
State credits to Machinery Fund	348.20

 15,747.27
Excess Appropriation, Chapter 81

Labor and trucking	637.00
Gravel	651.56

Concrete pipe	349.65	
Lumber	20.00	
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		1,658.21

Special Maintenance, Chapter 90

(Lunenburg, Brookline and Mason Roads)

State paying	2000.00	
County paying	2000.00	
Town paying	1,999.74	
Labor	1,695.00	
Trucks	985.00	
Roller	84.00	
Trucking pea stone	159.87	
Pea stone	212.92	
Asphalt	1,005.65	
Tarmac	1,235.15	
Sand and gravel	409.53	
N. E. metal culvert	91.22	
Concrete posts	50.00	
Paint	27.30	
State credits to Machinery Fund	44.10	
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		5,999.74

Mason and Warren Roads, Chapter 90 Construction

Each road shared as follows:

State	\$2,000.00
County	1,000.00
Town	1,000.00

MASON ROAD

Labor	1090.34
Trucks	459.75
Gravel	1162.40
Asphalt	266.19

Pipe	430.60
Brick	88.20
Catch basin covers	87.00
Cement	28.00
Gas shovel	292.87
Roller	84.00
Credits to Machinery fund	1.25
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	3,990.60

WARREN ROAD (To be constructed)

Labor	40.00
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4,030.60

Bridges and Village Streets

Labor	299.50
Trucks	146.90
Tarmac	225.06
Asphalt	56.30
Line marker and metal signs	228.00
Insurance on building and equipment	31.06
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986.82

Flood Damage (State Grant, \$7,000.00)

Labor	2,081.50
Trucks	707.50
Gas shovel	504.00
Gravel	2,086.05
Asphalt	188.81
Metal culvert	520.06
Concrete pipe	725.00
Brick	45.00
Stone	20.00

Cement	98.00	
Trucking pipe	19.20	
		6,995.12

Snow Removal

Ploughing and sanding:		
Roy Elliott	592.75	
Mervin Wares	473.62	
John Robichaud	388.88	
Lauri Mattila	178.00	
Labor	379.86	
New parts and repairs to plows	205.78	
Sand	50.61	
		2,269.50

Street Lighting

Contract, Fitchburg Gas and Elec. Lt. Co.	1,731.44
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Road Machinery Account

Gasoline, oil and supplies	59.65	
Tools and hardware	112.96	
General repairs to equipment	114.10	
Grader parts and repairs	96.30	
Reconditioning stone roller	37.50	
Pipe and freight	12.91	
New cement mixer	220.00	
		653.42

Harbor Bridge

Dryer felt	45.00	
Hay	7.50	
Labor	22.20	
		74.70

Highway Storage Building

Boards	12.10	
Hardware	2.59	
	<hr/>	14.69

School St. Drainage, Balance of 1937

Transferred by vote of town to W.P.A. Expense	693.20
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PUBLIC WELFARE**Board of Welfare**

Salaries:

Clare Creighton, Chairman	176.50	
Lilla M. Seaver	198.50	
F. N. Boutelle	125.00	
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Expense:

Stationery, forms and supplies	19.43	
Postage	9.23	
Telephone	3.00	
Surplus Commodities Distribution	7.19	
Traveling and transportation		
Clare Creighton	36.35	
Lilla M. Seaver	4.00	
F. N. Boutelle	14.00	
	<hr/>	93.20

Relief
LOCAL CASES

Provisions and supplies	1,736.36
Fuel	111.05
Lights	30.30
Board	197.00
Physician	46.00
Burbank Hospital and transportation	275.00
Boston Hospital	7.84
Burial	93.00
State Institutions	297.56
City of Worcester	64.00
Surplus Commodities Distribution	58.12
Ira Carleton, transportation	9.80
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	2,926.03

OUTSIDE CASES (Reimbursement due in full)

Groceries and provisions	770.89
Cash aid	240.00
Fuel	9.50
Temp. aid given for State	513.95
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	1,534.34

Mothers' Aid (1-3 Reimbursement due from State)

Cash payments	1,179.00
Burbank Hospital	45.00
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	1,224.00

Total relief payments	<hr/>	\$5,684.37
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Federal Grant for Dependent Children

Cash payments ($\frac{1}{2}$ reimbursement due)	511.00
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Amanda E. Dwight Fund for Poor

Massachusetts General Hospital	80.14
Burbank Hospital	50.00
Rent and provisions	31.70
Clothing	12.71
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	174.55

Spaulding and Wilson Funds for Poor

Board of child	32.00
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Infirmary

W. B. Newell, Superintendent	833.36
Other labor, haying and ploughing	137.00
Hauling wood	75.50
Provisions	487.02
Supplies and clothing	126.35
Fuel	131.41
Electricity	61.07
Telephone	34.41
Ice	32.72
Repairs	12.00
Insurance	70.73
Taxes to Town of Ashby	5.54
Grain, seed and fertilizer	321.69
Pig	12.50
Blacksmith	8.00
Nursing care	126.00
Physician	81.00
Burials	200.00
Opening graves	20.00
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	2,776.30

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

General Old Age Assistance Expense

Cash payrolls	23,087.50	
Medical care	241.50	
Burials	300.00	
Reimbursement to other towns:		
Town of Groton	60.00	
Town of Athol	106.84	
City of Fitchburg	36.00	
Refunded to government for cases later disallowed	103.34	
	<hr/>	23,935.18

Bureau of Old Age Assistance

Lilla M. Seaver, Agent	170.00	
Clare Creighton, Secretary	60.00	
H. R. Thatcher, Third Member	36.00	
Stationery and forms	5.69	
Traveling of Agent	13.32	
Earle S. Bagley, Legal advice	10.00	
Transferred to Gen. O. A. A. Exp.	100.00	
	<hr/>	395.01

SOLDIERS' BENEFITS

Soldiers' Relief

Groceries	96.34	
Nursing care	33.00	
Medical care	30.00	
Burial	74.50	
	<hr/>	233.84

State Aid

Veterans' pensions, 2 widows	240.00
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SCHOOLS**General School Expense**

Superintendent's salary	1120.00
Office expense and traveling	159.16
Services of clerk	76.33
Expense of School Committee	49.32
Teachers, supervisors, and	16,820.46
Transfer to Household Arts salary	400.95
Transfer to Household Arts exp.	80.00
Transfer to Police Dept.	82.50
Transfer to Town Nurse account	700.00
School Physician	80.00
Janitors	1,800.00
Transportation of pupils	6,042.40
Text books	646.43
Class-room supplies	943.60
Insurance	328.56
Water rent	100.00
Fuel	621.28
Light and power	719.18
Telephone	79.23
Supplies for building	217.95
New equipment	71.52
Care of grounds	111.57
Miscellaneous operating	113.17
General repairs	163.96
Special repairs:	
Tennis court	75.85
Grass course	50.10
Chimney	75.00
Smoke shaft	30.00
Asphalt tile border	50.00

 31,808.52

Household Arts Course

On Salary of Instructor	472.56
Traveling expense on Fed. Grant account	1.74
General expense:	
Groceries and supplies	48.63
Pyrofax gas	29.39
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	78.02

Maria Lane Fund for School

Toward Washington trip expense	25.00
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LIBRARY**General Library Expense**

Salaries:	
Evelyn L. Warren, Librarian	600.00
Hattie M. Davis, Asst. Librarian	16.00
Robert A. Copeland, Janitor	240.00
Expense:	
Insurance	124.60
Books	146.93
Periodicals	46.85
Binding	65.52
Supplies	23.75
Trucking	4.00
Framing Air Mail-cachet	1.35
Janitors repairs and material	1.75
Petty cash	7.00
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	1277.75

Amanda E. Dwight Maintenance Fund

Coal	200.31
Wood	9.00

Water rent	20.00	
Electricity and bulbs	60.41	
Roof repairs	2.19	
Waxing floors	18.00	
Boiler inspection	5.00	
Books	5.20	
Electric lantern	2.00	
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		322.11

Charles Emery Fund

Books	14.35
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Malvina P. Augur Library Gift

Books	85.03
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RECREATION AND UNCLASSIFIED**Parks**

Electric lights on Common	6.12	
Moving seats	.75	
Mowing and raking upper park	9.75	
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		16.62

Blood Monument Fund

Labor on Common:

Gilman Conant, mowing	11.95
Jesse T. Lillibridge	12.60
Manuel Luiz	8.20
Nelson Tuttle	13.20
Roy E. Wright	10.80
All other, less than \$10.00	10.40

Repairing fence	8.00
Lawn mower blades	14.00

89.15

Amanda E. Dwight Entertainment Fund

Programs and mailing	6.00
Envelopes and postage	9.70
To Pitt F. Parker for	
Concert of March 17th	125.00
Charles C. Gorst, April 7th	65.00
Entertainment of Nov. 17th	120.00
Sidney Shurtcliff, lecture, Dec. 8th	85.00

410.70

Band Concerts

Townsend Band	200.00
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100th Anniversary of Townsend Band

Postcards and notices to Committee	2.25
Postage on announcements and invitations	6.00
Times Free Press Co., bal. printing bill	191.75

200.00

Seminary Hall Repairs, W.P.A. Project

Lumber and building materials	65.60
Trucking	22.60
Hardware, supplies and paint	163.77
Electric supplies	9.53
Plastering	10.00
Loam	22.50
Albert Wyman for use of car	6.00

300.00

Agent, Tax Title Possessions

To Joseph R. Arlin for inspection	11.00
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Town Reports of 1937

Contract, The Stunhaven Press	350.00
Advertising	5.00
Distributing	15.00
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	370.00

Martha E. Homer Fund for West Townsend Reading Room

Myrtle N. Tumber for care, part payment	31.25
(See Miscellaneous Account, following, for balance of Reading Room expense.)	

Miscellaneous Account

West Townsend Reading Room:

Myrtle Tumber, bal. sal.	100.75
Insurance	29.56
Coal and splints	16.75
Light	3.50
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	150.56

Town office expense:

Supplies and stationery	13.83
Stapeling machine	5.00
Telephone	88.04
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	106.87

Seminary Hall:

Insurance	31.21
Fuel	9.00
Janitors' Supplies	8.85

Light	17.56	
		66.62
Mowing Ball Field		5.00
Balance of town blanket insurance		8.63
Total of Miscellaneous Account		337.68
Memorial Day Observance		100.00
Compensation Insurance		647.98
Augustus Rossi Lawsuit		200.00
Refunded for overpayment of taxes		47.65
Annual bills payable, 1937 charges		901.21
Reserve Fund Transfers to Sundry Accounts (See close of Summary for items)		1,935.28

CEMETERIES

General and Annual Care

Secretary, E. C. Morgan	50.00	
Printing, supplies and postage	10.20	
Insurance	5.51	
*Labor	317.73	
Trucking	11.15	
Fertilizer	39.60	
Loam	8.00	
Seed and equipment	18.29	
New lawn mower	7.75	
Sharpening mowers	20.20	
Markers	23.57	
Water rent, West Townsend	25.00	
		537.00

* For details of labor see list at close of department.

Soldiers' Graves

Labor	146.00	
Trucking	2.50	
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Perpetual Care of Lots

Labor	898.30	
Fertilizer	30.00	
	<hr/>	928.30

Amanda E. Dwight Cemetery Fund

Labor, Center Cemetery	356.00	
Water rent, Center	50.00	
	<hr/>	406.00

Hurricane Damage in Cemeteries

Labor		38.50
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Joel Giles Fund

Labor		63.60
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James H. Tucker Fund

Labor		30.00
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Cemetery Floral Funds

Memorial Day flowers for lots:

Henry A. Miner fund	4.00
Annice M. Gilson fund	6.00
Ai Richards fund	5.00
Gustavus Anderson fund	1.00

Installing Water in Cemeteries, Balance of 1937.

Transferred by vote of town to W.P.A. Expense 55.80

LABOR ANALYSIS OF CEMETERY PAYROLLS

Center Cemetery

Eneas C. Morgan	300.00
John W. Livingston	281.20
Roy E. Wright	237.20
Herbert F. Bowley	248.20
Charles Laws	150.80
Wm. T. MacMaster	11.63
Edward Valcourt	34.80
Manuel Luiz	22.40
H. A. Terrell	12.00
James Smith	7.60

West Townsend Cemetery

A. C. Hodgman and use of team	274.80
Harry L. Parker	87.60
Harvey Jodrey	109.60
Charles Wyman	21.60
John McInnis	34.40
Arthur Till	16.00
Total of all labor in cemeteries	\$1,850.13

WATER DEPARTMENT

Annual Maintenance

Richard A. Keefe, Superintendent	1,300.00
Arthur Koykka, Assistant	50.00
Collector's bond	10.00
Express and postage	20.21
Insurance	55.06

Telephone	28.24
Power	519.18
Coal	90.50
Truck	174.29
Supplies, equipment and repairs	165.78
Hydrant, parts and labor	151.09
Loam	15.75
Ford truck, 1937	350.00
Service material	431.69

Service labor

Arthur Koykka	29.25
Edward Tumber	73.00
Roland Tumber	15.50
John Smith	50.50
Clyde Stetson	57.25
Leon Marshall	60.00
Charles Neil	15.50
Edward McGinnis	15.00
Louis Josselyn	18.00
Frank Holyoke	10.00
Howard Barkhouse	8.75
Wallace Arlin	5.00
Arthur Fleming	4.50
Albert Gardner	4.50
Edmund Conner	3.50
Charles A. Conner	3.00
Elwin Shepherd	4.00
Harry Felch	3.50
All other	6.19
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	386.94

3,748.73
Hydrant Service

Paid Water Department	3,480.00
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TAXES
To the Commonwealth

Annual tax	6,460.00
Auditing tax	10.11
Parks and reservations	77.44

To the County

Annual tax	3 851.86
Tuberculosis Hospital assessments	2,256.28
Dog licenses collected by T. Clerk	577.80
For Sale of dog by Dog Officer	3.00

13,236.49
INTEREST

On revenue notes	86.27
On water bonds and notes	4,187.17

4,273.44
INDEBTEDNESS**Temporary Loans**

In anticipation high'y reimbursement	10,000.00
In anticipation of taxes	60,000.00
Tax title redemptions paid to state on tax title loan	3,119.23

73,119.23
Town Debt

Water system extensions	2,800.00
Balance of water bond due in 1938 (See special cash account)	1,439.23

4,239.23

TRUST FUNDS

Deposited in Savings Banks:

For cemetery perpetual care	650.00
Partial payments, Est. of Martha E. Homer	
For West Townsend Reading Room	5,000.00
For Abram French Fund	5,000.00

Total charges for the year	<u>\$244,733.66</u>
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TRANSFERS

Accounts Payable, 1938 charges	451.72
Reserve Fund to Sundry Accounts	1,935.28
Schools to Town Nurse	700.00
Schools to Household Arts Salary	400.95
Schools to Household Arts expense	80.00
Schools to Police	82.50
Highways to Road Machinery Fund	393.55
Fed. O. A. Admin. to General O. A. A.	100.00
Fire equipment. 1937 bal., to W.P.A. Exp.	.65
School St. Drainage to W.P.A. Exp.	693.20
Installing cemetery water to W.P.A. Exp.	55.80

Total to be deducted (Not cash items)	<u>4,893.65</u>
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Total cash payments for the year	\$239,840.01
Cash on hand, December 31, 1938	15,867.63

GRAND TOTAL

	<u>255,707.64</u>
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SUMMARY OF DEPARTMENTAL ACCOUNTS

	Receipts		
	Appropriations		
	Transfers	Payments	Balance
General Government			
Moderator	10.00	10.00	
Selectmen's salaries	550.00	550.00	
Selectmen's expense	100.00	83.38	16.62
Treasurer's salary	400.00	400.00	
Treasurer's expense	250.00	239.61	10.39
Tax Collector's salary	500.00	500.00	
*Tax Collector's expense	340.00	340.00	
Accountant's salary	500.00	500.00	
Accountant's expense	40.00	38.00	2.00
Town Clerk's salary	100.00	100.00	
Town Clerk's expense	50.00	45.55	4.45
Town Counsel	100.00	74.80	25.20
Assessors	600.00	475.07	124.93
Assessors' map, WPA	500.00	-----	500.00
Election & Registration	350.00	300.95	49.05
Certifying town notes	20.00	14.00	6.00
W.P.A. Administration exp.	3,500.00	1,056.39	2,443.61
Memorial Hall	1,300.00	1,276.75	23.25
Protection of Persons and Property			
*Police	1,094.66	1,094.66	
Firemen's salaries	1,135.00	1,135.00	
Fire Department expense	950.00	944.64	5.36
*Forest fires	661.29	661.29	
New fire hose	700.00	-----	700.00
Water holes, W. P. A.	200.00	198.58	1.42
*Forest fire pump	609.75	609.75	
*Additional equipment, 1937	.65	.65	
Moth suppression	700.00	698.31	1.69
Tree Warden	100.00	97.95	2.05
Pruning elms	100.00	100.00	

Sealer of W. & M.	90.00	88.08	1.92
Bounties	10.00	————	10.00

Health and Sanitation

Board of Health	300.00	187.50	112.50
Special Bd. of Health, 1937	189.00	189.00	
Nashoba Health District	680.00	680.00	
*Town Nurse	1500.00	1 458.98	41.02
Vital statistics	70.00	67.25	2.75
Inspection of meat and animals	75.00	55.00	20.00
Dog Officer	50.00	44.64	5.36
Vaccine for rabies	50.00	————	50.00
Town Dump	150.00	133.30	16.70

Highways

Road repairs, Chapter 81	15,750.00	15,747.27	2.73
Chapter 81, Excess Appro.	1,750.00	1,658.21	91.79
Maintenance, various roads	6,000.00	5,999.74	.26
Mason & Warren Roads	8,000.00	4,030.60	3,969.40
Bridges & Village Sts.	1,000.00	986.82	13.18
Special flood damage	7,000.00	6,995.12	4.88
Chapter 500, Acts 1938	1 900.00	————	1,900.00
Snow removal	2,500.00	2,269.50	230.50
Street lighting	1,749.45	1,731.44	18.01
Road machinery account	1,764.53	653.42	1,111.11
*Road machinery fund	393.55	————	393.55
Harbor bridge	852.86	74.70	778.16
*School St. Drainage, 1937	693.20	693.20	
Bow St. sidewalk	100.00	————	100.00
Highway storage building	156.16	14.69	141.47

Public Welfare

Salaries of Board	500.00	500.00	
Expense of Board	100.00	93.20	6.80
*Relief	5,710.13	5,684.37	25.76
*Infirmary	2,776.30	2,776.30	
*Old age assistance	23,935.18	23,935.18	

Fed. O. A. Administration	411.71	395.01	16.70
Federal mothers' aid	513.28	511.00	2.28
Dwight fund for Poor	553.06	174.55	378.51
Spaulding & Wilson funds	41.15	32.00	9.15
Abram S. French fund	31.25	————	31.25

Soldiers' Benefits

*Soldiers' Relief	233.84	233.84	
State aid	240.00	240.00	

Schools

General expense	31,865.00	31,808.52	56.48
*Household Arts salary	472.56	472.56	
*Household Arts expense	80.00	78.02	1.98
Spec. H. A. Expense	12.00	1.74	10.26
Vocational tuition	75.00	————	75.00
Maria L. Lane School fund	25.00	25.00	

Library

General expense	1 278.54	1,277.75	.79
Malvina P. Augur gift	98.34	85.03	13.31
Dwight library fund	511.89	322.11	189.78
Emery library fund	14.74	14.35	.39

Recreation and Unclassified

Band concerts	200.00	200.00	
100th anniversary of band	200.00	200.00	
Parks	25.00	16.62	8.38
Special upper park	343.81	————	343.81
Memorial Day	100.00	100.00	
Town reports of 1937	372.00	370.00	2.00
Compensation insurance	650.00	647.98	2.02
*Miscellaneous account	337.68	337.68	
Historical papers preservation	110.00	————	110.00
Seminary Hall repairs, W.P.A.	300.00	300.00	
Agent, Tax title possessions	100.00	11.00	89.00

Reserve fund	2,000.00	1,935.28	64.72
Augustus Rossi law-suit	200.00	200.00	
Dwight entertainment fund	690.04	410.70	279.34
Blood monument fund	305.39	89.15	216.24
Homer fund for W. T. R. R.	31.25	31.25	

Water Department

Annual maintenance	3,750.00	3,748.73	1.27
Hydrant service	3,480.00	3,480.00	

Cemeteries

*Annual care	539.20	537.00	2.20
Soldiers' graves	150.00	148.50	1.50
*Installing water, Balance 1937	55.80	55.80	
Special hurricane damage	500.00	38.50	461.50
Perpetual care of lots	1,010.26	928.30	81.96
Dwight cemetery fund	478.25	406.00	72.25
Joel Giles fund	95.90	63.60	32.30
James H. Tucker fund	40.69	30.00	10.69
Miner floral fund	5.98	4.00	1.98
Gilson floral fund	7.79	6.00	1.79
Richards floral fund	6.00	5.00	1.00
Anderson floral fund	2.33	1.00	1.33
Sales, Cemetery lots fund	444.42	————	444.42

Interest

General account	500.00	86.27	413.73
On water bonds	4,200.00	4,187.17	12.83

Maturing Debt

Water system construction	1,507.17	1 439.23	67.94
Water system extensions	2,800.00	2,800.00	

Total balance on departmental accounts \$16,473.95

Transfers

Reserve fund to:

Tax Collector's expense	40.00
Police	312.16
Forest fires	361.29
Relief	910.13
Soldiers' relief	33.84
Infirmary	100.98
Miscellaneous account	137.68
Cemetery annual care	39.20

1,935.28

Surplus revenue to:

Fire Dept. hose	700.00
Special W.P.A. expense	2,000.00
Road machinery account	1,500.00
Old age assistance	743.68
Relief	800.00
Infirmary	175.32
Hurricane damage in cemeteries	500.00
A. Rossi law-suit	200.00

6,619.00

Surplus Overlay Reserve to Forest Fire Pump	609.75
Fed. O. A. Adm. to O. A. A.	100.00
Highway accounts to Road machinery fund	393.55
Fire Equipment, 1937 to W.P.A. Expense	.65
Installation cemetery water 1937 to W.P.A. exp.	55.80
School St. Drainage 1937 to W.P.A. exp.	693.20
Schools to Town Nurse	700.00
Schools to Household Arts salary	400.95
Schools to Household Arts expense	80.00
Schools to police	82.50

GENERAL SUMMARY

Unexpended balances on departmental accounts \$16,473.95

Less balances carried forward:

Appropriation Accounts

Assessors' map	500.00
W.P.A. Administration expense	2,443.61
New fire hose	700.00
Warren road construction	3,969.40
Chapter 500, Acts 1938	1,900.00
Road machinery account	1,111.11
Road machinery Fund	393.55
Harbor bridge	778.16
Bow Street sidewalk	100.00
Highway storage building	141.47
Fed. O. A. Administration	16.70
Federal Mothers' Aid	2.28
Fed. H. A. Expense	10.26
Special upper park	343.81
Historical papers preservation	110.00
Agent. tax title possessions	89.00
Cemetery hurricane damage	461.50

13,070.85

Income from Trust Funds 1,307.96

Sales, Cemetery lots fund 444.42

M. P. Augur library gift 13.31

Total balances carried forward 14,836.54

Net unexpended appropriation balances 1,637.41

Add surplus on 1938 Revenue Account 10,606.00

Surplus for year 1938 12,243.41

Add surplus of previous years 14,461.70

TOTAL SURPLUS REVENUE, DEC. 31, 1938 \$26,705.11

Respectfully submitted,

Gertrude S. Copeland

Town Accountant

**RESERVE FOR PAYMENT OF WATER DEBT
SPECIAL CASH ACCOUNT**

RECEIPTS

Cash balance, Jan. 1, 1938.	
On Water System Construction Account	\$6,992.83
Accrued interest, June 1, 1938	67.94
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Total available for payments of notes due in 1938	\$7,060.77

PAYMENTS

Note due May 1, 1938	\$3,500.00
*Note due June 1, 1938	3,560.77
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Account closed	\$7,060.77
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*Note due June 1, 1938	\$5,000.00
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Available balance on Construction	
Reserve account	\$3,560.77
Paid by appropriation, 1938	1,439.23
(See Municipal Indebtedness)	
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	\$5,000.00
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STATEMENT OF TRUST FUNDS

Cemetery Perpetual Care of Lots

Amount on deposit Dec. 31, 1937	\$28,754.00
Added during 1938:	
Charles Edward Patch lot	100.00
Dennis Coffey lot	100.00
Thomas T. Goodwin lot	100.00
William Spaulding lot	100.00
Charles M. Russell lot	100.00
Charles T. Haynes lot	100.00
North Star Lodge No. 144 I.O.O.F. lot	50.00
	<hr/> 650.00
Total Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds	
Dec. 31, 1938	<hr/> \$29,404.00

Other Cemetery Funds	2 950.00
Spaulding and Wilson Funds for Worthy Poor	634.00
Abram S. French Fund	5,000.00
West Townsend Reading Room Fund	5,000.00
Charles Emery Library Fund	500.00
John Birney Blood Monument Fund	5,055.85
Maria L. Lane Fund	1,511.83

Total funds in custody of Town Treasurer	<hr/> 50,055.68
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Amanda E. Dwight Funds

For care of the poor	\$9,043.28
For concerts and lectures	8,704.68
For library maintenance	10,914.57
For the cemetery	6,388.10

Total funds in custody of N. E. Trust Co.	<hr/> \$35 050.63
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TOTAL TRUST FUNDS, Dec. 31, 1938	<hr/> \$85,106.31
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Balance Sheet, December 31, 1938

GENERAL ACCOUNTS

ASSETS

Cash in Townsend National Bank

\$15,867.63

Uncollected taxes:

Levy of 1934	\$ 4.00
Levy of 1935	13.71
Levy of 1937	13,423.31
Levy of 1938	26,490.42

39,931.44

Uncollected special assessments:

M. V. Excise, 1934	2.89
M. V. Excise, 1937	199.16
M. V. Excise, 1938	164.96

367.01

Water Rates

436.10

Accounts receivable:

Highways, due from State and County	
Welfare relief	1,190.84
Old age assistance	110.00
Cemeteries	278.15
Schools	163.11
State aid	240.00

1982.10

LIABILITIES

Accounts payable, 1938 charges

\$ 451.72

Temporary loans

20,000.00

Overpayment of taxes to Collector:

Levy of 1936	41.19
Excise of 1935	2.72
Excise of 1936	1.57

45.48

Balances carried forward:

Appropriation accounts	13,070.85
Income from Trust Funds	1,307.96
Sales, Cemetery Lots fund	444.42
W. P. Augur library gift	13.31
Surplus overlay reserve	851.58

Reserves for abatements:

Overlay of 1934	4.00
Overlay of 1936	8.62
Overlay of 1937	527.51
Overlay of 1938	1,469.78

Revenue not available until collected:

Departmental revenue	1,982.10
M. V. Excise revenue	362.72
Water revenue	436.10
Tax title revenue	4,007.37

STATEMENT OF OUTSTANDING BONDS AND NOTES, DECEMBER 31, 1938

TEMPORARY LOANS

In Anticipation of taxes:

Issued December 31, 1938 — Due June 30, 1939—Rate 0.24 %
 Issued November 30, 1938 — Due August 30, 1939—Rate 0.30 %

\$10,000.00
 10,000.00

Total loans in anticipation of taxes

\$20,000.00

TOWN DEBT

Water Extensions of 1936

Issued September 15, 1936 — Due September 15, 1939—Rate 2 %
 Issued September 15, 1936 — Due September 15, 1940—Rate 2 %

1,000.00
 1,000.00

Total loans for Water Extensions

2,000.00

Water System Construction

Bonds issued June 1, 1934, Rate 3.50 %
 \$5,000 due annually June 1, 1939 to June 1, 1948
 \$4,000 due annually June 1, 1949 to June 1, 1964

50,000.00
 64,000.00

Total loans for water system construction

114,000.00

Loans on Tax Titles Held by Town

Unpaid balance of previous issues, January 1, 1938
 Issued August 19, 1938 — Due August 19, 1939—Rate 1 %

893.71
 3,000.00

Paid in 1938 as tax titles were redeemed

3,893.71
 3,119.23

Balance unpaid on tax title loans

774.48

Report of Water Department

To the Board of Water Commissioners:

I herewith submit my report as Superintendent and Collector for the Water Department for the year 1938:

COLLECTIONS

Installations

Uncollected Dec. 31, 1937	32.45
Collected and Paid Treasurer	32.45

Water Rents

Uncollected Dec. 31, 1937		275.51
Charges during 1938		5,394.63
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		5,670.14
Collected and Paid Treasurer	5211.54	
Cash on hand	25.00	
Abatements during 1938	22.50	
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		5,259.04
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Uncollected Dec. 31, 1938		411.10

Hydrants

Charges and Collected during 1938	3,480.00
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MAINTENANCE

Appropriation	3,750.00
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Richard A. Keefe	1,300.00
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Arthur Koykka	50.00	
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Superintendent Salaries	1,350.00	
Express and Postage	20.21	
Telephone	28.24	
Power	519.18	
Coal	90.50	
Truck	172.29	
Number Plates	2.00	
Insurance	55.06	
Collector's Bond	10.00	
Ford (1937)	350.00	
Equipment, Repairs and supplies	165.78	
Hydrant—Hydrant parts and labor	151.09	
Service Material	431.69	
Service Labor	386.94	
Loam	15.75	
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Total		3,749.73
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Balance		1.27

No. of Gallons of water pumped with Diesel Power 10,832,929

No. of Gallons of water pumped with Elec. Power 12,787,704

Monthly Consumption

January	1,536,679
February	1,311,012
March	1,217,880
April	1,321,758
May	1,773,090
June	2,561,130
July	2,629,188
August	2,650,644
September	2,656,106

October	2,059,650	
November	1,830,393	
December	2,073,096	
Total Gallons pumped		23,624,624

Greatest amount pumped: June 25 211,338 Gallons

Greatest amount pumped in one week: 1,156 986 Gallons

Total No. of services in use at end of year 261

Total No. of services in use during year 281

Respectfully submitted,

R. A. Keefe,

Superintendent

REPORT OF WATER COMMISSIONERS

The water commissioners are pleased to report that the Water Department has successfully operated within its budget of \$3,750.00 for the year ending December 31, 1938. In addition to the regular maintenance costs, we have been able to replace the old truck with a practically new 1937 Ford truck at a cost of only \$350 to the department.

The department is therefore requesting a budget of \$3,600 for maintenance and operating expenses for the year 1939.

Permission has been granted the New England Telephone and Telegraph Company to ground their cables to the ends of the water mains and a \$5,000 bond has been deposited with the Town Clerk to cover any damages which might occur therefrom.

The department now has the use of a portion of the new town storage shed for storage of its pipe and other equipment.

The income for the year 1938 was \$8,723.99. The maintenance and interest charges were \$7,910.90, leaving \$813.09 to apply toward cost of system.

There was a balance of \$21,712.03 left over from the original construction account which has been used for the payments of notes and bonds as follows:

Balance from original Construction Account	\$21,712.03
Paid in 1936, note due May 1	5,000.00
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January 1, 1937, balance of original Const. Act.	16,712.03
Paid in 1937, note due May 1	\$5,000.00
Paid in 1937, note due June 1	5,000.00
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	10,000.00
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Balance January 1, 1938	6,712.03
Accrued Interest on Same	280.80
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January 1, 1938, Accrued interest plus total reserve for payment of debt	6,992.83
Paid in 1938, note due May 1	\$3,500.00
Paid in 1938, on note due June 1,	5,000.00
\$3,492.83. Paid balance of \$1,507.17 on same note due June 1 from funds raised by taxation.	
 The following extension notes due in 1938 were paid from funds raised by taxation.	
Groton Line extension note due Sept. 9	\$1,000.00
Turnpike Rd. extension due Oct. 14	1,800.00
 Total raised and appropriated in 1938 for payment of both original construction and extension debt	
	\$4,307.17

Reference to the statement of Town Debt shows that there will be one \$5,000 bond to be paid annually to June 1, 1948, thereafter being reduced to \$4,000 annually until June 1, 1964. There are also two more notes of \$1,000 each to be paid September 15, 1939 and September 15, 1940, in the 1936 extensions.

This year it will be necessary to raise by taxation:

Original bond issue, note due June 1,	\$5,000.00
Groton Line extension note due Sept. 15	1,000.00
Total to be raised in 1939 for payment of original construction and extension debt	\$6,000.00
Interest to be raised in 1939	3,942.50
Total required for water debt 1939 to be raised	
by taxation	<hr/> \$9,942.50

In 1938, \$8,469.34 was raised by taxation to be used with the balance of \$6 992.83 from original construction account to meet debt and interest requirements of that year. This year, even though that balance has been used up, it will be necessary to raise only \$1,473.16 more than was actually raised last year. Against this, the department has this year actually taken in \$813.09 more than the maintenance and interest charges which should be charged off against the bonded debt, whereas a year ago, this amount was only \$11.90.

Interest charges for 1938 were \$4,162.40. This is raised annually as a separate item in the budget.

As a part of this report you will find detailed accounts covering maintenance and collections as submitted by Richard A. Keefe, Superintendent.

Roswell A. Lancey, Chairman
Hamilton R. Bailey, Secretary
Hollis Hathaway
Board of Water Commissioners

Annual Budget

SUMMARY OF BUDGET EXPENDITURES — 1938

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

	Appropria. & Transfer	Expended 1938	Recomen. for 1939	
			Dept.	Fin. Com.
Moderator	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00
Selectmen's Salaries	550.00	550.00	550.00	550.00
Selectmen's Expense	100.00	83.38	100.00	100.00
Treasurer's Salary	400.00	400.00	400.00	400.00
Treasurer's Expense	250.00	239.61	250.00	250.00
Tax Collector's Salary	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00
Tax Collector's Expense	340.00	340.00	300.00	300.00
Accountant's Salary	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00
Accountant's Expense	40.00	38.00	40.00	40.00
Town Clerk's Salary	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
Town Clerk's Expense	50.00	45.55	50.00	50.00
Town Counsel	100.00	74.80	100.00	100.00
Assessors'	600.00	475.07	600.00	600.00
Election and Registration	350.00	300.95	250.00	250.00
Memorial Hall	1,300.00	1,276.75	1,200.00	1,200.00
Seminary Hall		66.62	100.00	100.00
Certifying Town Notes	20.00	14.00	20.00	20.00

PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY

Police	1094.66	1,094.66	700.00	700.00
Firemen's Salaries	1,135.00	1,135.00	1,135.00	1,135.00
Fire Department Expense	950.00	944.64	800.00	800.00
Forest Fires	661.29	661.29	500.00	500.00
Moth Suppression	700.00	698.31	400.00	400.00
Tree Warden	100.00	97.95	100.00	100.00
Pruning Elms	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
Sealer of W. & M.	90.00	88.08	90.00	90.00
Bounties	10.00		10.00	10.00

HEALTH AND SANITATION

Board of Health	300.00	187.50	150.00	150.00
Vital Statistics	70.00	67.25	70.00	70.00
Nashoba Health District	680.00	680.00	680.00	680.00
Town Nurse	1,500.00	1,458.98	800.00	800.00
Insp. Meats & Animals	75.00	55.00	60.00	60.00
Dog Officer	50.00	44.64	50.00	50.00
Vaccine for Rabies	50.00		50.00	50.00
Town Dump	150.00	133.30	150.00	125.00

HIGHWAYS

Bridges & Vil. Sts	1,000.00	986.82	1,000.00	1,000.00
Snow Removal	2,500.00	2,269.50		
Street Lighting	1,749.45	1,731.44	1,749.45	1,749.45

PUBLIC WELFARE

Salaries of Board	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00
Expense of Board	100.00	93.20	100.00	100.00
Relief	5,710.13	5,684.37	4,500.00	4,500.00
Infirmary	2,776.30	2,776.30	2,500.00	1,800.00
Old Age Assist. Appr.	23,935.18	23,935.18	14,000.00	14,000.00
Aid to Dependent Children			1,730.00	1,730.00

SOLDIERS' BENEFITS

Soldiers' Relief	233.84	233.84	200.00	200.00
State Aid	240.00	240.00	240.00	240.00

LIBRARY

General Expense	1,278.54	1,277.75	823.71	800.00
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RECREATION AND UNCLASSIFIED

W. Townsend Reading Room		181.81	100.00	100.00
Parks —General	25.00	16.62	25.00	25.00
Band Concerts	200.00	200.00	200.00	200.00
Memorial Day	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
Compensation Insurance	650.00	647.98	650.00	650.00
Town Reports	372.00	370.00		
Miscellaneous	337.68	337.68	200.00	200.00
Reserve Fund	2,000.00	1,935.28	2,000.00	2,000.00

CEMETERIES

Gen. & Annual Care	539.20	537.88	600.00	500.00
Soldiers' Graves	150.00	148.50	200.00	150.00

WATER DEPT.

Annual Maintenance	3,750.00	3,748.73	3,600.00	3,600.00
Hydrant Service	3,480.00	3,480.00	3,480.00	3,480.00

INTEREST

General Account	500.00	86.27	250.00	250.00
On Water Bonds	4,200.00	2,187.17	3,942.50	3,942.50

MATURING DEBT

Water Extensions	2,800.00	2,800.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Water Bond Issue	1,507.17	1,439.23	5,000.00	5,000.00

SCHOOLS

Gen Exp. Acct. and Vocational Edu.	31,865.00	31,808.52	35,000.00	32,200.00
Vocational Tuition	75.00		75.00	75.00

Town Warrant

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS,

Middlesex, ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Townsend in said County:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are required to notify and warn the freeholders and other inhabitants of said Town. qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs to meet in Memorial Hall in said Townsend, on Monday, March 6, 1939, at eight o'clock A. M., to act on the following articles, viz:

To give in their votes on one ballot for Moderator, three Selectmen, three members of the Board of Public Welfare, three members of the Board of Health, Town Clerk, Town Treasurer, Tax Collector, Tree Warden, two Constables, three Trustees of the Tucker Fund, all for one year; one assessor, two members of the School Committee, one Trustee of the Public Library, one Park Commissioner, one Cemetery Commissioner, one Water Commissioner, all to serve for three years; and one member of the School Committee for one year.

The polls will be open at 8 A. M. and may be closed at 4 P. M.

The meeting in town affairs will begin at 11 A. M.

Article 1. To choose all officers not required by law to be chosen by ballot.

Article 2. To accept the printed reports of the officers and committees of the town.

Article 3. To authorize the Town Treasurer to borrow money in anticipation of revenue for the financial year 1939.

Article 4. To authorize the Town Treasurer to borrow money in anticipation of revenue for the financial year 1940.

Article 5. To choose an agent, or agents, to prosecute and defend all suits in behalf of the town, with power to employ counsel.

Article 6. To choose a committee for the suppression of vice and to prosecute the illegal sale of intoxicating liquors in the town.

Article 7. To decide whether the money refunded to the town on account of dog licenses shall be used for the Public Library or for Schools.

Article 8. To raise and appropriate money for the several departments of the town, a detailed list of which will be found in the budget included in the report of the selectmen.

Article 9. To see if the town will vote to instruct the Selectmen to enter into a contract with the Department of Public Works, Division of Highways, that a portion of the sum available under the provisions of Chapter 81 of the General Laws, as amended, be appropriated and expended in Townsend.

Article 10. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the improvement of the road from the Lunenburg line to the New Hampshire line, and the Mason Road and Warren Road; said money to be used in conjunction with any money which may be allocated by the State or County, or both, for this purpose; or take any other action in relation thereto.

Article 11. To see if the town will vote to instruct the

Selectmen to enter into a contract with the Department of Public Works, Division of Highways, and the Middlesex County Commissioners for the continued construction of a portion of the Warren Road continuing toward the Lunenburg line and for the continued construction of the Mason and old Fitchburg Road toward Lunenburg.

Article 12. To see if the town will vote to keep the roads passable for automobiles, so far as practicable, during the winters of 1939 and 1940.

Article 13. To see if the town will appropriate a sum sufficient to pay the County of Middlesex as required by law on account of assessments levied on the town for its share of the principal of the Middlesex County Tuberculosis Hospital Funding Loan, Act of 1932 bonds maturing in 1939, issued in compliance with Chapter 10, Acts of 1932 also for any other indebtedness incurred and outstanding under said Chapter 10, also for the town's share of the cost and interest on said bonds due in 1939, also for the care, maintenance, and repair of said Hospital for 1938 and including interest on temporary notes issued therefor in accordance with sections of Chapter 111 of the General Laws applicable therefor, and for all other expenses in connection therewith, including Chapter 400, Section 25 G (6) (a) of the Acts of 1936, determine how the money shall be raised, or in any way act thereon.

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to shingle a part of the roof of Memorial Hall, or act in any way in relation thereto.

Article 15. To see if the town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$200.00 to be used in repairing hurricane damage in Howard Park.

Article 16. To see if the town will vote to have a Committee appointed to investigate the advisability of relocating

street lights and the necessity of additional street lights, and determine how said committee shall be chosen and act in any way in relation thereto.

Article 17. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate an additional sum of money to restore and put into permanent form certain valuable papers belonging to the Town.

Article 18. That the town authorize the transfer of \$393.55 from the Road Machinery Fund to the Road Machinery Account, this being the amount of highway credits given the Town in 1938 by the Commonwealth.

Article 19. That the town authorize the accountant to transfer from the Surplus Overlay Reserve a sum sufficient to cover overdraft in the Overlay Account of 1935 for the abatement of taxes of that year.

Article 20. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to purchase tires for the fire truck at Townsend Harbor, or take any action relating thereto.

Article 21. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the additional sum of \$16.35 for a street light near the property of the late Cyrus W. Lane on Main Street at the Harbor, or take any action relating thereto.

Article 22. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to extend the water main on Highland Street from the present main to the residence of Arthur Borneman, or take any action relating thereto.

Article 23. To see if the town will vote to have a Police Officer do school policing and to raise and appropriate a sum of money therefor or take any action relating thereto.

Article 24. To see if the town will vote to raise and

appropriate the sum of \$250.00 to repair the sky light at the Spaulding Memorial School or take any action relating thereto.

Article 25. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$600.00 to construct a drain on the grounds of the Spaulding Memorial School or take any action relating thereto..

Article 26. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for painting at the Spaulding Memorial School or take any action relating thereto.

Article 27. To see if the town will vote to increase the salary of its school teachers and to raise and appropriate a sum of money therefor, or take any action relating thereto.

Article 28. To see if the town will vote to increase the salary of the janitor at the Spaulding Memorial School and to raise and appropriate a sum of money therefor, or take any action relating thereto.

Article 29. To see if the town will vote to repair the bridge over the Squanicook River, known as Tighe's Bridge and to raise and appropriate a sum of money therefor, or take any action relating thereto.

Article 30. To see if the town will vote to have a permanent police officer. Said officer to be designated as night officer with such hours of duty as may be prescribed by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 31. To see if the town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from the Highway Fund, provided by Chapter 2 of the Acts of 1939 for any of the purposes authorized by said Chapter.

Article 32. To see if the town will vote to authorize the

Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money on Tax Titles under the provisions of Chapter 49, Acts of 1933, as amended, the proceeds of the loan to be used for ordinary maintenance expenses.

Article 33. To see if the town will vote to appropriate from the present balance on the Cemetery Sale of Lots Fund the sum of \$200.00, to be used for the development and improvement of the new sections and additions in the cemeteries at West Townsend and Townsend Center.

Article 34. To see if the town will vote to accept from Sarah L. Copeland the sum of \$100 in trust, the income therefrom to be expended for the perpetual care of the Thomas W. Copeland lot in Hillside Cemetery.

Article 35. To see if the town will vote to accept from Rowland Haynes an additional sum of \$100 in trust, the income therefrom to be expended for the perpetual care of the Charles T. Haynes lot in Hillside Cemetery in Townsend.

Article 36. To see if the town will vote to remove the iron fence in front of Hillside Cemetery, or act in any way in relation thereto.

Article 37. To see if the town will vote to accept from George T. Powell the sum of \$100 in trust, the income therefrom to be expended for the perpetual care of the G. T. and G. F. Powell lots in Hillside cemetery at Townsend Center.

Article 38. To choose committees, to hear reports of Committees, or to act in any way in relation to any of the foregoing articles.

Earle S. Bagley

Willard A. Greer

Hollis Hathaway

Selectmen of Townsend

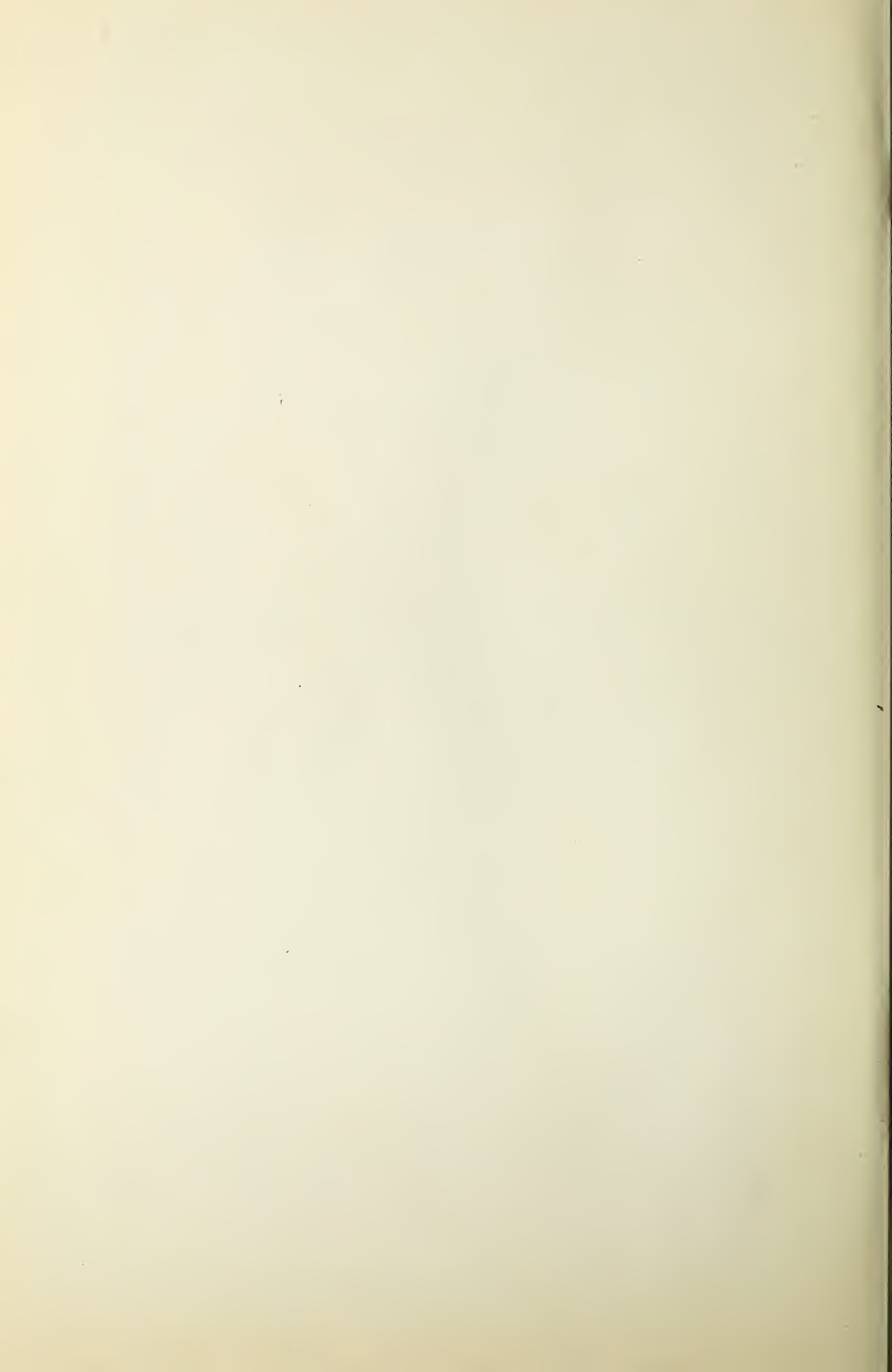
All persons having motions to present to the meeting are requested to file the same in writing with the Town Clerk.

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At the Town Meeting**





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